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Dec. 29th.,

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Miss Grace Wilder,  
26 St. Luke's Place,  
Montclair, N. J.

My Dear Miss Wilder:

Yesterday afternoon's mail brought us a letter from Miss Thomson of which I enclose you a copy. Also a copy of Dr. Gillespie's letter to the Western India Mission as you requested.

The Council agreed that the way was now open for Miss Thomson to go forward with her preparations, and I accordingly sent her a copy of Dr. Gillespie's letter to these young women (which had already been sent to Miss Scheurman and Miss Hamilton), and the necessary papers on her appointment. You will be glad, I am sure, to receive this word.

Am I right in my understanding that after May 1st., 1889 you are to receive only three hundred dollars a year, as well as they? It seems to me that I was told this was to be the case, and as I am working on the estimates for Western India, in Dr. Gillespie's absence, want to be sure of this one point before I proceed any further. Kindly let me know.

Yours very sincerely,

*Wm. L. G. L.*

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Jan. 5th.,

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Rev. Wm. H. Hannum,  
119 E. Ohio Ave.,  
Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Brother:

But for quite an attack of grippe, entirely apart from my former serious illness, and which has kept me out of the office about two weeks, your letter of Dec. 9th. would have been answered more promptly.

I was quite disturbed by your intimation that the Mission had failed to make adequate provision for Ratnagiri. I shall, of course, refer to the matter in my first letter to the Mission, but it seems to me it would be out of the question for the Board to take hold of the case in view of the unanimous action of the Mission. The months are already slipping by and before conference could be had with the Mission it would be too late to make the adjustment of the force which I would very gladly see made. Nothing impresses me more deeply, and indeed somewhat strangely, than the determination which Mr. Irwin has to withdraw from Ratnagiri. Were it not for the fact that he expects to return to the United States next year on furlough, I would feel like insisting at once on a more careful and thorough examination of the subject. As it is, I mean to urge that no steps are to be taken to erect the new place into a full station until the matter has been more carefully considered. It may be a wise step, but in these times of cur-

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tailment, it strikes me as open to serious question whether an old station should be depleted in order that a new one might be filled.

I fear that if any mistakes have been made for the year, it is now too late to rectify them. I earnestly hope, however, that the outcome will not involve anything serious.

With very kind regards to dear Mrs. Hannum, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

*Wm. B. Ayer.*



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Jan. 1881.

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Mr. R. P. Wilder,  
c/o Student Volunteer Movement,  
2 West 20th St., N.Y.

My Dear Wilder:

I think you met on Saturday, when your mother and sister and their party sailed, a Miss Giles who was ready to go as a fourth worker, and whom your sister was very anxious to have appointed.

At the meeting of the Board on Monday, Miss Giles' testimonials were presented, and they were approved by the Board and her appointment was practically made, conditional however, upon the same financial provision that has been made in the case of the other young women.

Your sister spoke of their being money enough either in hand or pledged to cover Miss Giles' going, and I am writing to Mr. De Camp of Elmira to whom your sister referred, to ascertain whether a provisional pledge made by him will be so extended as to enable us to send Miss Giles.

Dr. Gillespie was quite tired the last week, and he has gone off now for a little rest, and unfortunately we do not have any exact memorandum of the amounts pledged for seven years for the Settlement workers.

Miss De Rottbeck has sent the money to cover her two workers for a year, and we have in hand of the Settlement account, more than

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enough to cover the traveling expenses and salary of a year of a third worker, but can you tell me who were the persons who made themselves responsible for the third worker's salary for the six other years of her first term of service? The money that we have received on the Settlement Account thus far is as follows: -

Miss Mary Hamilton	\$200.
" Wilder, a friend	225.
" " Rev. E. P. Robinson,	
Park Park	10.
" " Miss A. E. Scott,	
Passaic	10.
" " Mr. Amos Kingman,	
Montreal	100.
" " Miss Eleanor Hamilton,	
Chicago.	150.
	<u>\$695.</u>

Can you tell me whether any of these are annual pledges, or do you know the address of Miss Eleanor Hamilton of Chicago who is referred to?

Miss Giles is ready to go within a fortnight, and the only uncertain element is the financial one. If you can give any information that will clear up any of the questions I have asked, we shall be very much obliged, and we shall have heard by that time, I hope from Mr. De Camp.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

*R. H. H.*



Jan. 30th.,

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Rev. William H. Hannum,  
119 S. Ohio Ave.,  
Columbus, Ohio.

My Dear Mr. Hannum:

Miss Mc Millan has handed me yours of the 24th inst. We are all very glad that you can write the West India report. It ought to be said, however, that it will be necessary to confine it to the limitations of the last year's Report, which I see you have in your possession. The great difficulty is to write with sufficient brevity and conciseness. I am glad that one will write the report who knows the field.

With respect to the young ladies who went with Miss Wildor to West India. They sailed on Jan. 14th. and there is a fourth who will sail Feb. 4th. The Board's action taken is copied verbatim as follows: -

"The question of sending young women as missionaries to the Western India Mission on a special financial basis was again taken up and it was voted to go forward with the appointment of three single women on the following basis - The salary of each to be at the rate of three hundred dollars (\$300.) per annum - The term of service to be that of all single women in the Western India Mission - The expense of the journey from the homes of the ladies to and from the field by the usual route, to be met by the Board, from special funds provided for the purpose - The salary of three hundred dollars to be continued during their furlough in lieu of the usual home allowance - The right to vote by the young women to be left with the Mission, but in no case to exceed the ratio of one vote for each two young women missionaries. On the basis of this the following young women were appointed and assigned to the Western India Mission - Miss Mary J. Thomson, Miss Elizabeth Emily Scheurman and Miss Mary Hamilton."

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You are perhaps aware that the money furnished for the support of two of these additional ladies was given by a lady in the Episcopal Church, and is to continue yearly for seven years. The Board felt that it could hardly take the responsibility of saying 'No' to so generous and seemingly providential arrangement. The money is also provided for the other two.

Sincerely yours,

*F. F. Edwards*

P. S. I am sending to-day by registered mail the reports received thus far from the W. India Mission. If any more come to hand they will be promptly forwarded.



Jan. 28th.,

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Miss Alice L. Giles,  
230 La Salle Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Miss Giles:

Your note of Jan. 28th., written from the train, is just received this morning. I think it would be very pleasant for you to meet the minister in Elmira, the Rev. Allen F. De Camp, who has pledged your support for the next seven years. I do not know his address in Elmira, but, doubtless, it could be easily found. He was in Chicago this last week, but I received a letter from him yesterday or the day before written from Elmira. It would, of course, be better if there were time for you to send word to him asking if he would like to have you stop, as there is possibility that you might not find him, or it might not be convenient for him. I have written to him that you are expecting to sail on Feb. 4th. and he might come down here to see you if he wished, at the same time it would doubtless be much more convenient for you to stop off at Elmira, provided you could get your tickets arranged to allow you to do this.

Whether you have any relation to the Women's Boards or not you will, of course, want to keep up correspondence with Mr. De Camp, and he will wish you to do so, so that the relation you sustain to him will not be affected in any way by anything that might be determined regarding any relationship between you and the Women's Boards.

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It occurs to me just now that perhaps it will be best if I should write to-day to Mr. De Camp by special delivery letter, so that he will be sure to get it either this evening or to-morrow morning. I shall ask him to telegraph to you at the Institute if he would like to have you stop off. Perhaps if you do not hear from him at all, you might assume that it would not be convenient for him, or that he is away. You ought to hear from him by telegraph to-morrow.

As to your being vaccinated, Dr. Woolsey says that it ought by all means to be done, and he advises you to have it attended to a day or two before you sail.

Looking forward with much pleasure to seeing you next week, and trusting that you are well and strong, and are not overtaxing yourself these last days, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Robert C. Spencer, Jr.





SUMMARY  
WESTERN INDIA  
1899 - 1900

	GOLD	RUPEES
RATNAGIRI	\$3,777.50 ✓	3,696 ✓ 3,127 ✓
MIRAJ	3,520.00 ✓	8,334 ✓
PANHALA	2,115.00 ✓	462 ✓ 4,578 ✓
SANGLI	4,010.00 ✓	8,221 ✓
KOLHAPUR	4,460.00	7,647 ✓
VILLAGE SETTLEMENT	1,740.00 ✓	
	\$19,622.50 ✓	4,158 ✓ 22,907 ✓
Less out of		11,296
		21,611 ✓



## K O L H A P U R

May 1st., 1899 - May 1st., 1900

## CLASS I.

Missionaries on the field  
Gold

## SALARIES:

Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Seiler	\$1,080.	
" " " J. M. Goheen	<u>1,080.</u>	\$2,160.

## CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

Rev. G. W. Seiler - two	200.	
Rev. J. M. Goheen - one	<u>100.</u>	
		<u>300.</u>
		\$2,460.

## CLASS II.

Missionaries not on the field

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Mrs. G. H. Ferris	\$450.	
Miss E. Patton	<u>450.</u>	\$900.

## CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

Mr. Seiler - three	450.	
Mr. Goheen - "	450.	
Mrs. Ferris - two	<u>200.</u>	
		<u>1100.</u>
		\$2,000.

## CLASS IV.

Evangelistic

Rupees

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Punabai I. Shiek	90	
Radhabai P. Jadhav	<u>93</u>	183

## OTHER HELPERS:

Shidaraniji	<u>131</u>	131
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## ITINERATING:

	300	
<u>Tent</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>600</u>
		917

## CLASS V.

## Education.

	Rupees	
BOARDING SCHOOLS:		
Anandaras Padgaimal	210	
Narayanras Sanglikar	180	
Neishnaras Pandit	144	
Harmahbai Mandolappa	120	
Pupil teachers	24	
Incodentals	150	
Board, etc, 60 pupils	2880	
Watchman	72	
	<u>3780</u>	
Fees	25	
		3,755
DAY SCHOOLS:		
Shukravar School:		
Vithoba Hajari	150	
Balavantrao	93	
Furniture, cleaning &c.	<u>15</u>	261
Ravivar School:		
Teacher to be appointed	84	
Woman to bring girls	36	
Prizes, furniture, &c	<u>35</u>	155
New Budhvar School -		
Dnyanoba	200	
Woman to bring girls	24	
Prizes, furniture, &c.	<u>35</u>	259
Mangalvar		
Somshakerappa	<u>270</u>	270
Somvar:		
Santabai V. Hajari	84	
No. 1 Non-Christian teachers	60	
No. 2 " " "	60	
Prizes, furniture &c	<u>60</u>	264
Herle -		
Bukaram R. Wamball	240	
Furniture, Cleaning &c.	<u>30</u>	270
Kini -		
To be appointed	120	120
Carried forward		<u>5200</u>

## CLASS V.

## Education.

	Rupees	
Brought forward		5,300
Halundi -		
Sugandha Battelalali	175	
Furniture, cleaning etc.	<u>17</u>	<u>192</u>
		5,552

## CLASS VII.

## Property in use.

RENT:	School houses		
	New Budhvar	4	
	Sonwar	30	
	Kini	<u>30</u>	
		70	
	Helpers House, to be raised on field		
		<u>90</u>	
	# To B'd's credit	20	
TAXES:	Missionary dwellings on Compound	31	
	Water tax	24	
	House in Ravivar	6	
	" " Herle	<u>2</u>	
			63
REPAIRS:	Missionary Dwellings	200	
	Other buildings	<u>200</u>	
			400
			<u>400</u>
	# To B'd's credit		<u>20</u>
			443

## CLASS IX.

## Mission and Station expenses

MISSION MEETINGS:	75	
BOOKS, PRINTING &c	10	
STATIONERY, POSTAGE	50	
SANITARIUMS:	<u>600</u>	
		735



# S U M M A R Y

	Gold	Rupees
CLASS I.	\$2,400.	
CLASS II.	2,000.	
CLASS IV.		917
CLASS V.		5552
CLASS VII.		442
CLASS IX.		725
	<u>\$4,400.</u>	<u>7647</u>

Subject to a cut on the Mission of Rs. 11,300

K O L H A P U R  
V I L L A G E   S E T T L E M E N T

May 1st., 1899 - May 1st., 1900

CLASS I.

Missionaries on the field  
Gold

SALARIES:

Miss Emily E. Scheurman	\$300.
" Mary Hamilton	300.
" M. J. Thomson	300.
" Grace E. Wilder	300.
" Alice L. Giles	<u>300.</u>

\$1,500.

CLASS VII.

Property in use.  
Gold

RENT:

#House rent for Settlement and other expenses	<u>240.</u>
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240.  
\$1,740.

# This is according with agreement made with Miss Wilder when she was in U. S.

S U M M A R Y

Gold

CLASS I.	\$1,500.
CLASS VII.	<u>240.</u>
	\$1,740.

## S A N G L I

May 1st., 1899 = May 1st., 1900

## CLASS I.

Missionaries on the field  
Gold

## SALARIES:

Rev. and Mrs. F. K. Wilson	\$1,080.	
Mr. and Mrs. Jolly	<u>1,080.</u>	\$2,160.

## CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

Mr. Jolly - two	200.	
Mr. Wilson - one	<u>100.</u>	300.
		<u>\$2,460.</u>

## CLASS II.

Missionaries not on the field.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Graham	<u>\$300.</u>	\$300.
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## CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

Mr. Graham - two in U. S.	200.	
Mr. Jolly, three in U. S.	<u>450.</u>	650
		<u>\$1,550.</u>

## CLASS IV.

Evangelistic

Rupees

## BIBLE WOMEN

Dayabai	<u>110</u>	110
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## OTHER HELPERS:

Khandoba L. Padghabul	<u>250</u>	250
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## ITINERATING:

<u>200</u>	200
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## OTHER WORK:

School for enquirers	<u>100</u>	100
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## CLASS V.

## Education.

		Rupees	
BOARDING SCHOOLS:			
Christian Boys' Boarding School -			
Teachers -			
	Bhikaji G. Powai	150	
	Appa Miraji	120	
	Three non-Christians	520	
	One " "	150	
	One Christian, transferred		
	from Miraj	175	
	Industrial	1500	
	Boarding - 75 pupils	<u>3550</u>	
			C, 171
	Fees		<u>45</u>
			C, 126

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Boys' New torn	200	
Girls' " "	150	
Manga	80	
Sangli Vadi	<u>100</u>	
		<u>520</u>
		C, 650

## CLASS VII.

## Property in use.

RENT:			
	Three school houses	30	
	Preaching place	30	
	Dwellings of Agents	<u>30</u>	
		102	
	Raised on field	<u>30</u>	
			60
TAXES:			
	Mt. Douglas, Mahableshwar	95	
	Buildings at Sangli	<u>2</u>	
			97
REPAIRS:			
	Dwelling, Sangli	150	
	other buildings	200	
	Mt. Douglas	<u>60</u>	
	Carried forward		<u>410</u>
			572

## CLASS VII.

Continued

	Rupees	
Brought forward	572	
ATTENDANTS:		
Church - Sangli	72	
Mt. Douglas, Mahebleswar	<u>135</u>	
	207	
LIGHTS & HEATING:		
Mr. Douglas in Rains	<u>35</u>	
	<u>35</u>	815

## CLASS IX.

Mission and Station expenses

MISSION MEETINGS:	75	
BOOKS, PRINTING:	40	
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	75	
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:		
Two families	200	
SANITARIUMS:	500	
PERSONAL TEACHERS:		
Mr. and Mrs. Jolly	<u>200</u>	1,000

## SUMMARY.

	Gold	Rupees
CLASS I.	\$2,460.	
CLASS II.	1,550.	
CLASS IV.		660
CLASS V.		6350
CLASS VII.		815
CLASS IX.		<u>1080</u>
	<u>\$4,010.</u>	<u>9221</u>

Subject to a cut on the Mission of Rs. 11,200

# P A N H A L A

May 1st., 1899 - May 1st., 1900

## CLASS I.

Missionaries on the Field.

Gold

### SALARIES:

Rev. L. B. Tedford	\$1,080.	
Miss A. A. Brown	540.	
" J. H. Sherman - 6 mos.	<u>270.</u>	\$1,890.

## CLASS II.

MISSIONARIES not on the field

### CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

Arthur Tedford - 6 mos. to Oct. 30th	\$75.	
Charlie Tedford	<u>150.</u>	\$225.

### TRAVEL & FREIGHT

Charlie Tedford	<u>Rs. 402</u>	Rs. 402
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## CLASS IV.

Evangelistic

Rupees

### ITINERATING:

200

200

## CLASS V.

Education

### DAY SCHOOLS:

Kodoli - Boys' -		
Teachers -		
Yohan S. Ranabhisel	185	
Other expenses	<u>15</u>	
Carried forward		200



CLASS V.

Continued

	Brought forward	Rupees	
DAY SCHOOLS:			200
Kodoli - Mahar Girls'			
Christian teachers	78		
Pupil "	24		
Woman to bring girls	24		
Other expenses	30	156	
Kodoli - Mang Girls'			
Christian teacher	78		
Pupil "	24		
Woman to bring girls	36		
Other expenses	20	168	
Ayatevadi Boys'			
Christian teachers			
Santoba Ranoji	187		
Other expenses	15	212	
Ruralap Boys'			
Christian teacher			
Babaji Ranoji	173		
Other expenses	15	188	
Boropal Boys'			
Christian teacher			
Tyapa Lumaaji	221		
Other expenses	15	236	
Mali, Boys'			
Christian teacher			
Krishnaji Appaji	149		
Other expenses	15	164	
Islampur, Boys'			
Christian teacher	173		
Other expenses	15	188	
		1,512	
THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS:			
Traveling	10		
		10	
		1,522	

## CLASS VI.

Hospitals & Dispensaries  
Rupees

## ASSISTANTS:

Physician to be appointed	300	
Compounder	<u>180</u>	540

## MEDICINES:

	<u>600</u>	600
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## EXPENSES:

	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
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1,240

## CLASS VII.

## Property in use.

## RENT:

Borepal School house	18	
Mali " "	20	
Kodoli " "	<u>12</u>	50

## TAXES:

	<u>5</u>	5
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## REPAIRS:

Ordinary repairs on Kodoli and Panhala buildings	375	
Special repairs on Panhala Bungalows	<u>600</u>	975

## ATTENDANTS:

Care of Panhala buildings when unoccupied	<u>30</u>	<u>30</u>
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1,065

CLASS IX.

Mission & Station expenses

	Rupees	
MISSION MEETINGS:	115	
BOOKS, PRINTING etc.	25	
STATIONERY, POSTAGE	10	
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:	200	
SANITARIUMS:	200	550

S U M M A R Y.

	Gold		Rupees
CLASS I.	\$1,890.		
CLASS II.	225.	402	
CLASS IV.			200
CLASS V.			1522
CLASS VI.			1240
CLASS VII.			1000
CLASS IX.			550
	\$2,115.	402	4578

Subject to a cut on the Mission of Rs. 11,200



## M I R A J

May 1st., 1899 - May 1st., 1900

## CLASS I.

Missionaries on the Field.  
Gold

## SALARIES:

Dr. W. J. Wanless  
Rev. G. H. Simonson  
Dr. A. S. Wilson  
Miss E. A. Foster

\$1,080.	
720.	
1,080.	
<u>540.</u>	\$3,420.

## CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

Dr. Wanless - one

<u>\$100.</u>	<u>100.</u>	\$2,520.
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## CLASS IV.

Evangelistic.

Rupees

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Sonabai Thakin  
One to be appointed

24	
<u>50</u>	74

## OTHER HELPERS:

Bizuba Thakin  
Basantan Thakin

150	
<u>225</u>	375

## SUNDAY-SCHOOLS:

<u>25</u>	25
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## ITINERATING:

<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>
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774

CLASS V.

Education

Rupees

DAY SCHOOLS:

Reading School  
Teacher to be appointed

96

125

221

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES:

25

25

246

CLASS VI.

Hospitals & Dispensaries

ASSISTANTS:

Head compounder, Isaac Abraham  
Ass't "  
Three pupil nurses  
Sonabai Thakin, native nurse  
Three ward servants  
Watchman  
Washerman  
Dispensary servant  
Hospital cook  
Medical assistants  
Attendant

300

120

288

96

252

96

120

72

75

800

72

2,351

MEDICINES

2928

2,928

EXPENSES:

Taxes  
Lights and heating  
Books and printing  
Stationery & postage

60

200

50

20

320

5,063

# CLASS VII.

	Property in use	Rupees	
RENT:			
	School house	20	
REPAIRS:			
	Hospital and two dwellings	<u>400</u>	430

# CLASS IX.

	Mission & Station expenses		
MISSION MEETINGS:		125	
BOOKS, PRINTING :		<u>25</u>	
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:		40	
SANITARIUMS:			
	Six persons	700	
PERSONAL TEACHERS:			
	Dr. A. S. Wilson )		
	Mrs. A. S. Wilson )	150	
	Miss E. A. Foster	125	
	Mrs. W. J. Wanless	<u>50</u>	1,215

# S U M M A R Y

	Gold	Rupees
CLASS I.	\$2,520.	
CLASS IV.		774
CLASS V.		246
CLASS VI.		5062
CLASS VII.		430
CLASS IX.		1215
	<u>\$2,520.</u>	<u>8284</u>

Subject to a cut on the Mission of Rs. 11,293

## R A T N A G I R I

May 1st., 1899 - May 1st., 1900

## CLASS I.

Missionaries on the field.  
Gold

## SALARIES:

Rev. J. M. Irwin - 11 mos.	\$990.	
" W. H. Hannum - 6 1/2 mos.	585.	
Miss E. T. Minor - 11 mos.	495.	
" A. M. Jefferson - 11 mos.	<u>495.</u>	\$2,565.

## CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

One - Mr. Hannum - 6 mos.	<u>50.</u>	
		<u>50.</u>
		\$2,615.

## CLASS II.

Missionaries not on the field.

Gold

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Rev. W. H. Hannum - 4 1/2 mos. \$237.50

## CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCE:

Mr. Hannum - one - 6 mos. 50.00

## FREIGHT:

Mr. Hannum and family - 21/2  
tons 87.50

## TRAVEL:

" " " 2 1/2 fares	<u>687.50</u>	\$1,102.50
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## TRAVEL &amp; FREIGHT

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin	Rs. 1348	
Miss Minor	924	
" Jefferson	<u>924</u>	Rs. 3,096



## CLASS IV.

## Evangelistic

Rupees

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Two to be appointed

192

192

## OTHER HELPERS:

Gavindrav S. Malap

210

Balwantrou Salane

219

429

## ITINERATING:

300

To be raised on field

60240

861

## OTHER WORK:

Lamps for preaching room at

Vengurla

15

To be raised on field

15

## CLASS V.

## Education.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Compound Girls' School

Ranchandra Jinhade

Other expenses

133

25

193

## THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY:

Balwantrou p traveling

25

25

## OTHER SCHOOLS:

Two reading classes

144144

362

## CLASS VI.

Hospitals & Dispensaries  
Rupees

## MEDICINES:

For use by Mrs. Irwin 11 mos.	100	
Opening and conduct of dispensary by Dr. A. S. Wilson - 6 mos.	<u>500</u>	

600

## CLASS VII.

## Property in use.

## RENT:

Dwelling, Misses Minor and Jefferson, 6 mos.	180	
Mr. and Mrs. Irwin	260	
Preaching room, Vengurla	<u>36</u>	576

## TAXES:

Mission Bungalow	<u>13</u>	13
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## REPAIRS:

Mission Bungalow	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
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689

## CLASS IX.

## Mission &amp; Station expenses

MISSION MEETINGS	
Traveling	200
BOOKS:	<u>20</u>
STATIONERY:	
	20
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:	
Two families	100
SANITARIUMS:	
One family - Hannam	200
PERSONAL TEACHERS:	
Mrs. Irwin	<u>75</u>

615

## S U M M A R Y

	Gold	Rupees	
CLASS I.	\$2,615.		
CLASS II.	1,102.50	8,686	861
CLASS IV.			902
CLASS V.			800
CLASS VI.			682
CLASS VII.			615
CLASS IX.	<u>\$2,797.50</u>	<u>3,026</u>	<u>8127</u>

Subject to a cut on the Mission of Rs. 12,290

April 21st,

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To the Western India Mission

Dear Friends:-

I have much pleasure in enclosing herewith the appropriations for the fiscal year beginning May 1st, 1899. Some weeks ago the Board considered, on the basis of a report from the Finance Committee, the limit of appropriations for the year 1899-1900. The receipts had fallen much behind at the time, and it seemed in every way the part of wisdom to be careful and conservative in laying out the work of the new year. The Board, accordingly, fixed \$825,000. as the limit, with the additional provision, however, that all this should be spent upon the present work, and none of it for new missionaries. Regarding new missionaries, the Board approved the long list of needs arising from the various Missions, but made the commissioning of any new missionaries to meet those needs, conditional upon the provision of special funds. This made it possible to grant all the Missions for their native work, as much money as they received last year, with a small increment; and also to provide some necessary buildings in Missions where the needs were imperative.

The appropriation sheets as sent authorize the expenditures in Classes, iv, v, vi, vii and ix, of Rupees 20,488, about 1200 Rupees more than was granted last year. It is a real pleasure to be able to report even so small an advance as this. Let us hope and pray that next year a much more substantial enlargement may be made. The financial condition of the country is improving greatly. Iron mills that have been closed for years, are now running to their full capacity. Almost every line of business has brightened, and the exports of the country have increased almost beyond belief. Sooner or later



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all this will be felt in mission contributions. The result of prosperous times is not felt at first in the treasuries of missionary organizations, but sooner or later it will be felt there. It seems almost as though benevolent gifts were cut off first in hard times by the people, and restored last in prosperous times. There is every reason to believe, however, that next year will be a better one. The Home Board has closed its year without debt, and with the heavy debt with which it began the year wiped out. We are earnestly hoping that we may be able to close the year as we began it, without deficiency. If there should be a great increase of receipts, undoubtedly the Board would desire to make some supplementary appropriations, which would greatly relieve the strain upon the Missions; but it would be inexpedient to anticipate anything of this kind.

The appropriations for the Village Settlement are made on a separate sheet. The salary of Miss Giles is added to that of the young women, of whose appointment you were formally notified at the time. The short time that elapsed between Miss Giles' appointment and her sailing, and the general disturbance of Dr. Gillespie's work due to his sickness and death, prevented sending a formal notice to you. Miss Wilder, however, was expecting the addition of Miss Giles, and I hope no inconvenience was occasioned by the want of a formal and anticipatory notification.

The inability of the Board to appropriate any money for Class VIII in the Mission will prove a great disappointment to you; but when the limit of appropriations had once been fixed, of course every dollar appropriated for new property meant so much deducted from the appropriations for the other work, and there did not seem to be in the list of new property asked for by the Mission, any items so imperatively necessary as to warrant a further reduction of the appro

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priations for native work in order to provide for them.

With reference to new missionaries Mr. Hannum and Mr. Wilder have both earnestly presented the Mission's call for new men. The action of the Board in conditioning the appointment of men and women on the provision of special funds may limit the number that it will be possible to send out this year. If this is its effect, of course the most imperative needs will be ~~made~~ met first, and it will then be a question whether the call from Western India will be deemed stronger than that of calls from other fields. Mr. Irwin's letter of November 8th, is a very efficient and moving appeal, and I do heartily join with you in the ~~staying~~ longing for the appointment of some extra men, especially for the work in the Konkan. Mrs. Ferris' good letter regarding the estimates, and Mr. Tedford's also, have been most helpful. I shall try as soon as possible to answer these directly.

The prospective departure of Miss Sherman for China has made it more difficult to reach a judgment regarding the new physician for Kodoli. The Board of the Southwest appealed in behalf of their being allowed to send Dr. McArthur to Kodoli, but the whole strength of the appeal rested on grounds which disappeared in the removal of Miss Sherman. We are very sorry to lose Miss Sherman, and can imagine what regret it must bring to the Mission; while we can all ~~xxjxx~~ join in wishing her affectionately the abounding and abiding blessing of the Lord, whom she has served so faithfully.

The news of Mr. Jolly's illness has been received with great sorrow, and we shall hope his visit to Australia will completely restore him. It is very pleasant to hear of Mrs. Jolly's continued good health.

It seems very natural to be writing you again, although it seems very strange to think that Dr. Gillespie will not be resuming the



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correspondence in a week or two. I can hardly get accustomed to the thought of not seeing him in his office, and often and often I look up from my desk almost expecting to see his happy face in the door-way. What permanent arrangement will be made with reference to the question of correspondence with the India Missions, I cannot say. I shall try, however, to answer all the letters that have thus far come, and to continue to do as much as it may be possible until the Board makes some permanent adjustment. It seems very pleasant to be writing to you, just like resuming correspondence with old friends, and I earnestly pray that God may bless and strengthen you all, and make this new year the best year you have known in India.

Our hearts have gone out especially to dear Mrs. Wilder in her serious accident. We shall hope to hear of her complete recovery, and trust that her arm may not give her any trouble. With warm regards to you all,

Your sincere friend,

June 5th, 9.

Miss Grace E. Wilder,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Wilder:-

Your kind letter of March 30th was received some time ago. As you will learn from the accompanying letter to the Mission, Dr. Effie B. Cooper has been appointed to the Mission, with the expectation of being associated with you and your companions in the Settlement work. Your brother and I have had a good many talks over the question, and he has shown me your letters. Dr. Cooper was one of the candidates of the Board of the Northwest, but they have relinquished her to the New York Board, which sent out the other workers, and which has in view the funds for the support of Dr. Cooper. I think this makes as many workers as the Board is likely to send out for the Settlement at present, and until you have had time to show by experience the feasibility and usefulness of this plan of work. We shall wait with much interest to hear from the Mission as to the location of you and your associates. I hope that the work can be shown to be so practicable and so fruitful that all the fear that was felt about it will disappear, and that it may lead to a real enlargement of our work in India.

I hope that your Mother is very much better, and that she will soon have recovered wholly from the ill effects of her serious accident.

As you will learn from the letter which goes to the Mission by this mail, I have been charged by the Board with the responsibility for correspondence with India. It will mean a great increase of work, but I am very glad to undertake it, and have now for the or



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four years, or ever since Dr. Gillespie's accident, stood ready to take up his work whenever he has been obliged for a little while to lay it aside. I know that you will pray that our relationships in this work may be more and more blessed, and that God in His goodness may make it possible for us together to see His work in India greatly prosper and advance.

With warm regards to you all.

Very cordially yours,

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June 5th,

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To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

The Annual Meeting of the Board was held on Monday. It was reported to this meeting that the General Assembly had approved the election of the Rev. A. Woodruff Halsey, D. D., as one of the Secretaries of the Board, and Dr. Halsey was present to take his place among the Officers of the Board. It was announced also, that the Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D. D. had been elected by the General Assembly as a member of the Board, to take the place of the Rev. Howard Duffield, D. D., who had resigned because of the pressure of other duties. By these two elections the membership of the Board and the office force of the Board are again complete.

When Dr. Halsey was elected by the Board some months ago, it was decided that when he came into the offices, his work, for the present at least, should be in connection with the home side of the work. As you will notice in the report of the receipts of the year, the gifts from individuals show an increase of \$49,594.64 during the year. This increase was due to special work devoted to this end. Mr. Hand, especially, rendered very efficient service in this direction, and many thousands of dollars were secured during the closing months of the year through personal solicitation. It is the conviction of the Board, which Dr. Halsey fully shares, that it will be possible to enlarge such gifts to Foreign Missions. Dr. Halsey has a real gift for developing interest in the churches also, and he will throw all his strength for the present at least, and for so long a time as may seem expedient, into this department of the work. This assignment of labor to Dr.

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Halsey, made it necessary that the work hitherto done by Dr. Gillespie should be taken up by the other Secretaries, and at the meeting of the Board on Monday, the arrangement was approved, by which the correspondence with the Guatemala Mission is assigned to Dr. Ellinwood, the correspondence with the Africa Mission and with candidates to Dr. Brown, and the correspondence with the India Missions to me.

I do not need to tell you that it is with no little diffidence that I undertake the duty thus assigned by the Board. Your great love for Dr. Gillespie, his full knowledge of the work in India, the long term of years during which he was your correspondent here, combine with other considerations to make it difficult for anyone satisfactorily to take his place. Still, I can take up the correspondence with much love for many individuals whom I know personally in the Missions, with great admiration for the noble work that has been done in the past years, with the profound desire to be the servant of the Missions in every regard in which it may be possible to render you service here, and sharing fully, what I judge from the correspondence between the Missions and Dr. Gillespie, with which I have grown pretty familiar, are some of the aspirations and longings of the Missions.

I agree with the Missions in India wholly in their view that the limit of our Church's duty to India has not been reached. It may have served a temporary purpose to urge that the appropriations made for the India Missions were as great as could be expected from the Presbyterian Church. I do not believe that will serve as a permanent view. I expect to live to see the day when a good part of the great building in New York shall be devoted to the missionary activities of our Church, and when its contributions for Foreign Missions shall exceed many-fold its present gifts. In every way that is possible and proper I shall strive to assist the Missions in India, not only to



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maintain their existing work, but greatly to enlarge and extend it, and to reach out into the territories for which we are properly responsible, and for which we have not as yet been able to provide.

I do earnestly hope and pray also, that working together we may be able to dispose of the feeling, however it may have arisen, that the India Missions do not possess the fullest sympathy and admiration of the Board. I hope that those explanations on some of the points in discussion which have been made in letters to the Missions, have gone far toward removing any feeling of restlessness. I know that the Board has a deep, and genuine regard for the India Missions, and that both in the Council and in the Board, in the consideration of any question, the presumption would always lie with the view emanating from or supported by the Missions in India.

There are some problems of Mission policy waiting to be solved, and there are many different opinions upon the questions, and many different views as to the wisest solution. I do not know of any such opinions or views, however, held either in the offices of the Board or in the Board itself, which are not held by some at least of the members of the India Missions. As the years go by, and enlarged knowledge and broader experiences make it possible to solve problems in debate heretofore, it may be believed that the spirit of common sympathy and understanding and fraternal love will increase yet more and more.

The expression which I have used of being the servant of the Missions, I have used deliberately and sincerely. I understand the Secretary of the Board to be, on the one side, a servant of the Missions to represent them to the Board, and still, on the other side, he is a servant of the Board to represent it to the Missions. It is a double duty, not always easy to discharge; but I would earnestly assure the Mission and every member of it, that no service can be sug-



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gasted that will not be cheerfully performed. I hope you will write of all matters with the same frankness with which you wrote to Dr. Gillespie, and I will promise to act and to answer, if not with his skill, yet with his sympathy and with his love.

You will be glad to know of Mrs. Ferris' safe arrival in this country. She reached New York looking the picture of health, and has been spending a few days in the city with friends. On the same steamer with Mrs. Ferris, Mr. Graham came. Miss Patton did not catch their steamer from Glasgow because of an accident, of which you probably know, which befell her on shipboard shortly after leaving Bombay, when she scalded her feet and prevented her walking until nearly at her journey's end. Mr. Graham naturally hurried on as soon as possible to see those who were waiting for him at Wooster.

It is a pleasure to be able to report to you the appointment of the Rev. A. Lincoln Wiley and Mrs. Wiley, and their assignment to the Western India Mission. Mr. Wiley is a graduate of the Wooster University and of the Western Theological Seminary. He is a strong, devoted man, and I hope will develop into a worker of real power.

Mr. Irwin's statement of the claims of the Konkan, in his letter of November 8th to Dr. Gillespie, is most effective. I wish it were possible for the Board to grant it, and to send a number of men to evangelize the million five hundred thousand people lying in our field along the coast. I shall earnestly join the Mission in urging upon the Board the appointment of more men who will be able to go out from the centres through the districts carrying the Gospel to these people, to whom we are responsible to give it, and whom, with our inadequate force we are unable to reach. If the addition of Mr. Wiley to the Mission will enable it to occupy some other point in the Konkan, or, if it is judged best to carry on the work at Rangoon without the

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presence there of a man, while the men available for the Konkan are used elsewhere, I would say that any recommendations to this end would be laid before the Board. We have worked the Kolhapur field for so many years, and it has proven an unresponsive and a hard field. If now, the Western section of our Mission, so needy and uncared for, will respond to the message of the Gospel, surely we ought to strive to develop our work there.

Doubtless the Mission feels that there can be little development anywhere until more men are sent. Of course the fields where the need is as great or greater, and where the harvests are ripe, are the fields that appeal strongly to the Church and to the Board. Let us hope and pray, however, that the gifts of the Church will enable the Board not only to supply these fields, but also to send men where the work is slower, and perhaps less encouraging, but not less important and obligatory.

I notice that the action of the Mission at its last meeting, requested the Board to authorize the opening of Benguele as a Station, providing the Board could grant two ordained new missionaries. The Board has not been able to grant two as yet, and I do not know whether it will be able to do so. A large number of new missionaries have been appointed, and it is doubtful whether the Board will feel able to appoint any more; but the Mission's needs will be kept in view, and if any more men can be appointed, I shall earnestly plead for one for Western India.

We all deeply regret to hear of Mr. Jolly's illness, and I hope that you may have good news from Australia regarding him. We have heard nothing from him since he left Colombo, whence he wrote to Dr. Gillespie on the 12th of March.

It is a very great pleasure to resume in this way the cer-



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correspondence with the Western India Mission. Almost the first letters I wrote on coming into the service of the Board, nearly eight years ago, were to the Western India Mission, and it is like taking up a correspondence with old friends to be writing to you once more.

There were two actions taken by the Board some time ago, affecting all the Missions, which I do not think have been quoted to your Mission, and I communicate them herewith. The first one refers to Furloughs. The question was referred to the Committee on Policy and Methods, and the full action of the Board was as follows:

The Committee on Policy and Methods reported that after full consideration of the whole question of the term of service on the various fields, it recommended the adoption of the following:-

A few familiar and well established principles should be kept in mind:

1. Missionaries live and work under conditions which are not only trying to health, but which involve peculiar nervous strain. It is therefore not only desirable but necessary that they should have occasional furloughs in the United States, for purposes of physical recuperation, mental change and spiritual reinvigoration.

2. The frequency with which such furloughs should be taken varies with the degree of isolation, the healthfulness of the climate, and the vigor of the missionary, there being wide differences in these respects, which make any rigid and uniform term of doubtful expediency.

3. While the Board can establish the approximate term of service for the country, there is force in the suggestion that has come to us from the field, that the Mission itself can best determine the precise limits for the individual missionary, as it is more conversant with the individual and with the work which will be affected by his departure.

4. The vastness of the field and the comparatively small number of the laborers, the urgent importance of every available missionary being at his post, the serious interference with the work which furlough necessitate, and the additional burdens which they lay upon already overworked colleagues, as well as their costliness, and the criticisms, however unwarranted, which they frequently cause in this country, render it desirable that furloughs should be limited to the reasonable necessities of each case. It is believed that the increased facilities for intercommunication and the extension of the conveniences of civilization, make the lot of the missionary more tolerable than it was a generation ago, and that in these circumstances it is not unreasonable to expect that the tendency should be toward a lengthened rather than a shortened term of service.

The Committee, accordingly, recommends that all existing rules regarding furloughs, including those adopted February 21st, 1898, be so far modified as may be necessary to bring them into harmony with the following rules:-

For the Mexico Mission, in ordinary cases missionaries after



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a period of not less than ten years continuous service on the field, may with the consent of the Mission, return to the United States on furlough, the same principles to hold good in the case of single women.

For the Guatemala, Colombia (except Barranquilla Station), Chili, Brazil Central and Brazil South Missions, the term shall be at least nine years; for the Peking, East Shantung, West Shantung, Korea, Syria, East Japan, West Japan, Canton, Central China, Hainan, Lodianna, Furrukhabad, Western India, Eastern Persia, Western Persia Missions, and the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, the term shall be at least eight years; for the Siam Mission, at least seven years; for the Laos Mission, at least six years; and for the Gaboon and Corisco Mission, at least five years.

It is recommended that hereafter a missionary is not to assume that he is to take a furlough at the expiration of the minimum term of service for his Mission, irrespective of his physical condition and the needs of the work, but that if he completes that term of service in the possession of good health, he is to remain for a longer period, the Mission determining the question as to whether he shall return to the United States and at what time, the rule and expectation being that the term of service shall approximate a longer period. Inasmuch as the Board makes exceptions in the case of missionaries whose health requires it, it is felt that no hardship is involved in thus lengthening the general term.

The hope is also expressed that special care will be taken to comply with the provisions of Paragraph 18 of the Manual, and that when risks of climate interfere with the return at the exact expiration of the term of years determined upon in accordance with the above principles, there will be thoughtful consideration whether the requisite relief should not be obtained by shortening rather than by lengthening the furlough.

The Board would impress upon the Missions the importance of their inserting provision for anticipated furloughs in their annual estimates, as it will now be impossible for the Board to know without notification, whether a missionary will return within a given year. As special appropriation cannot be made except in cases of health emergency, a failure to incorporate traveling expenses in the estimates, will ordinarily be considered an adequate reason, for deferring a furlough till the following year.

The following special rules for particular Missions shall apply to the Missions designated:

In the case of the Persia, Central China, Japan, Canton and Hainan Missions, when the missionaries are able to leave their Stations in July, and leave the United States for return to the field in August, they shall be allowed to leave in the July preceding the Fall in which their term of service would expire, in accordance with the preceding principles as to the minimum number of years and the required judgment of the Mission. When they must leave the field earlier than July, they shall be allowed to do so as late as is prudent in the Spring or Summer succeeding the Fall in which their term of service would expire, in accordance with the preceding principles as to the minimum number of years and the required judgment of the Mission, and the length of the furlough in such cases shall be so extended as to enable them so to do this, and return in the proper season of the year at the expiration of the furlough, the furlough in such cases, however, not to exceed at the most, fifteen months.

For the three India Missions, "that the time for leaving the



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field on regular furlough in these Missions be about the first of April following the completion of the full term of service (as determined in accordance with the foregoing principles), and that the time for leaving the United States in returning to India after furlough, be about the middle of September of the following year, the date of departure from the field to be fixed by the Mission in accordance with Paragraph 18 of the Manual." (Board action, November 2, 1896, and February 21, 1898).

For Mexico, Guatemala and Colombia, "That an option be given as between a furlough of one year after a service of not less than ten years, or of six months after a service of not less than five years, the usual home allowance to be paid, but in the case of the six months furlough, one-half of the traveling allowance shall be made." (Board action, January 18, 1892 and March 20, 1898).

Another matter referred to the Committee was, the question of furloughs in the case of certain missionaries advanced in years. Your Committee would recommend that, in the case of missionaries advanced in years, the question of sending them back to their fields if they return to the United States on furlough, shall be a question to be determined by the Board, in view of the circumstances of each special case.

The second action taken was that in regard to Children's Allowances. The matter had been referred to the Committee on Policy and Methods, and their report on the subject was as follows, which report was accepted by the Board:

Your Committee, to which was referred back the question of limiting the amount of Children's allowances, would report, recommending -

1. That, while the Board does not deem it best to modify Paragraph 33 of the Manual, which relates for the provision made for the children of missionaries, it feels constrained to notify the Missions that in its judgment, the amount paid for children's allowances should not exceed \$500. to one family during any one year.

2. That in the case of all missionaries hereafter appointed or commissioned, it shall be a rule that the amount of children's allowance to be paid to any one missionary family, shall not exceed \$500.

In making this recommendation, your Committee would emphasize the fact that such a limitation of the children's allowance should not be interpreted as any indication of judgment on the part of the Board as to matters lying wholly within the sphere of each missionary's responsibilities, but only as the fruit of the conviction that \$500. is as large an increment on this account as should hereafter be added to one missionary's family salary from the mission contributions of the Church.

The question of the home allowance of widows and widowers with children, who, when keeping house on the field have their "salary especially arranged in view of all the circumstances" was also referred to your Committee, which would recommend that the home allowance in such cases shall be presumptively that of unmarried missionaries, as provided in Paragraph 23 of the Manual, with the understand-

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ing that these amounts may be supplemented if this is found to be necessary.

With warm regards to all.

Your sincere friend,

P. S.

The first paragraphs of this letter correspond with the opening paragraphs of letters to the Lodiana and Furrukhabad Missions. It was those Missions I had in mind in speaking on Page 3, of any feeling on the part of the India Missions that they did not possess the fullest sympathy and regard of the Board. All the correspondence with your Mission has been so perfectly delightful and harmonious in the past years that this paragraph can scarcely be included properly in the letter to you, and yet, I have let it stand as containing a real assurance of the Board's genuine sympathy and affection.

I have pleasure in informing the Mission of the appointment of two women doctors - Dr. McArthur for Kodoli, and Dr. Cooper, whom it had been intended to send to join the Settlement. If the Settlement is located at Miraj this latter is unnecessary, however, and we could transfer Dr. Cooper, who would not be ready to sail in any event until December, to some other Mission. The Board of the Northwest has been very anxious for a long time to send Dr. McArthur to be associated with Miss Sherman. Miss Sherman's resignation, however, removes this reason for Dr. McArthur's appointment; but the Board of the Northwest is still very anxious to have her sent to the Station in which they have been so much interested for so long a time, although of course, in sending her out, the question of her assignment to a particular Station is left with the Mission. I ~~have tried~~<sup>shall</sup> to write more about both these young women, and also regarding the Settlement,

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about which I have had some very pleasant talks with the missionaries who have returned from Western India.



June 20th,

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Mrs. J. S. Forster,

Wheaton, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Forster:-

I should have written before this to bring you of the receipt of Dr. Stoll's medical certificate, but it was too late for presentation at the first Board meeting in June, and it was not possible to lay it before the Board until its meeting yesterday. At that time, your letter and Dr. Stoll's, and also the certificate of Dr. Coates' and Mr. Griswold's, were laid before the Board, and the following action was taken:-

On the basis of the medical certificate of Dr. T. C. Stoll, June 3rd, taken in conjunction with the certificate of the Civil Surgeon of Lahore, dated November 2nd, 1897, it was voted to extend the furlough and home allowances of Mrs. J. S. Forster, of the Indiana Mission, to January 15th, 1900.

The medical certificate sent by Dr. Stoll was perfectly clear and satisfactory. In his accompanying letter, he did not say that it would be unwise for you to return to India, but only that he did not believe you would be able to do much work this next year, and that you should rest rather than work too energetically. The Board feels a very real sympathy with you, and appreciates heartily your desire to be guided by your health or to be able to resume your work again in India, and to carry it on for many years; and it looks back with great gratitude over all your service of our common Master in the past. At the same time, the Board has not felt that it could even in such extraordinary circumstances indefinitely, the furlough and accompanying home allowances, and it has therefore decided that you should stay here.



until the middle of January, and so long as the weather is so cold weather, you might not then be able to go back to India for which ruled work as it might be perfectly wise for you to do for the present. And until it is prudent for you to do so, all arrangements are left again?

Of course all over the world the children are living up to the cold, watching less by over-activity they should do themselves injury.

If by January the doctors should have a positive and very clear opinion adverse to your return to India, even if it is a matter of health, the Board would be quite ready to take this into consideration.

I hope that you are having pleasant Spring weather in Rochester that may contribute to your feeling better there. With kind regards

Very cordially yours,

July 1st, 9.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,

Birmingham, Huntingdon Co., Pa.

My Dear Mr. Wiley:-

I was glad to receive yesterday your letter of June 28th, and to know that Mr. Carter's inability to get into communication with you by telegraph had not resulted in any confusion of movements and plans. If now you will arrange with Mr. Carter as to the length of time they would like to have you at Gloversville, and then will plan to come on to New York long enough before your sailing to be able to make the visit to Glover'sville, everything will work itself out nicely. I am so glad that you are to have this relationship to the Glover'sville church. Their prayers and sympathies will be a great help to you, and their responsibility for you will lead them on to undertake more and more for the Mission cause.

You and Mrs. Wiley are very near my old home when you are in Birmingham. I was born and grew up in Huntingdon, only a few miles away, and have innumerable friends all through the region in which you are to spend the Summer. You will meet the Lowries of Warriors-mark, if you have not already done so, and will find in them, people of most intelligent and earnest missionary spirit. I hope that you may have a very pleasant and restful Summer, and may be able to set out for your work in the Fall with strength of body, and fulness of joy and peace in the Spirit of God. With kindest regards to you both.

Very cordially yours,



July 7th,

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The Rev. G. W. Seiler,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Seiler:-

Your two kind notes of March 31st and May 25th were duly received. I found also among Dr. Gillespie's unanswered letters, your two letters, of February 17th and February 24th. Your note of March 31st, as Secretary of the Mission, conveying to the Board and to Mrs. Gillespie, expressions of your regret at the death of Dr. Gillespie, was presented to the Board at the time of its receipt, together with a similar letter from Dr. J. C. R. Ewing, as President of the Lodianna Mission.

It was very good to have even the few hints contained in your letter of May 25th, as to the plans of the Village Settlement scheme. Mrs. Ferris had told me that Miss Wilder and her Mother would probably stay in Kolhapur for the present, and the four young ladies go to Miraj. I hope that you will keep us informed fully as to this Village Settlement. I have heard that a number of difficulties have been experienced already in its attempts to get located.

I had some full talks with Mrs. Ferris and Miss Patton about the whole question. You will have heard of Miss Patton's painful accident on her way home, which robbed the voyage of most of its pleasure for her. She scalded her feet shortly after leaving Bombay, and I think was not moving around until they reached Marseilles.

I read with special interest your letter of February 17th. You no doubt face very real and difficult Mission problems in India. The presence of the British Government helps greatly on one side; but



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the large number of foreigners who press into the country, the standards which it suggests, and many of the conditions which it creates, produce a set of Mission problems from which some other Missions are free. At the same time, even though the population is increasing; though there is plenty of disloyalty; though the schools and colleges are turning out thousands of graduates disqualified for anything but government appointment, and too numerous to be employed by government; even if the people are poor; we must believe that which Buddhism did, that which Mohammedanism did, Christianity can do. It may be that the form of Christian institution and social development which we are prone to identify with the Gospel, and to which we have grown up here in these civilized lands, cannot well be introduced among the poorer people of the mission field. But, we must believe that a real Christianity can be so introduced, and that the best of all religions, the one perfect one, must not fail where inferior and imperfect religions have succeeded. The length of time that is to be required is a matter of minor importance. We can afford to wait, for "the centuries are ours." Where men are in the wrong, if they are going to succeed at all, they must succeed quickly; but men who are in the right and with the right, can afford to wait; - "the eternal years of God are theirs."

I note with interest in your letter of February 24th, to Dr. Gillespie, your wish that we might get some men with \$300. salaries. Perhaps you had not seen Bishop Thoburn's plan described in the enclosed clippings from "World-Wide Missions," the cheap missionary paper of the Methodist Church for the month of March, 1899. How would you like to see something of this sort tried in our own Missions? The Methodists have got all the men they asked for, and had a great many applications which they were obliged to decline. I do not know whether we could get the same response from Presbyterian young men.



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Perhaps we might.

It was pleasant to learn from your letter that Mr. Goheen had been so greatly helped by the stay at Mahableshwar. I hope he may continue to gain in health and strength, and that all the rest of you may enjoy the best of health.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

July 12th,

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Mrs. G. H. Ferris,  
9 North Street,  
Hillsdale, Michigan.

My Dear Mrs. Ferris:-

Your note of July 9th was received yesterday.

The last census of India gave the total Christian population as 2,284,380. Of course this included some agnostics and Unitarians, but only an inconsiderable number. Something over a million and a half of this Christian population is Roman and Greek, and 168,000, is made up of Europeans. This would leave about 600,000 is the Protestant population. Miss Guinness, in her little book, gives the number of native Protestant adherents in 1890, as 559,661, and the number of Protestant communicants as, 1,182,722.

The census gives the number of Roman Catholics as 1,315,263.

Our Board has 136 missionaries in India.

According to the Encyclopaedia of Missions, which I believe gives the figures for 1890, the number of American missionaries in India were 753; of British, 610; of German, 177.

According to Miss Guinness' tables, the total number of men missionaries in 1890 was, 986, and of women missionaries, which included, however, Eurasians, 711.

We have not yet received from the printer the annual reports, but a copy will be sent to you as soon as they come.

Very cordially yours,



Dear Sirs,

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To the

Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to write, as I know it will be a great pleasure to you to read, that at the meeting of the Board yesterday, the Finance Committee recommended that in view of the increased receipts since May 1st., an additional appropriation of about ten thousand dollars should be distributed among the Missions, granting in the main an increase in the amounts already appropriated for Classes IV. V. VI. VII. and IX of about four per cent (4%). This recommendation was adopted by the Board and eight hundred and sixty-four rupees (Rs. 864) was added to the appropriations for the Western India Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley of whose appointment I wrote you, expect to sail on Oct. 3rd. from Trieste.

There seems to be so much uncertainty about the Village Settlement that we incline to the opinion here that it would be better not to send out Dr. Cooper at present, if other arrangements can be made. So long as the young women are at Miraj, they have no need of a physician in their number, and their permanent location seems likely to be so long delayed as to justify the belief that if a young new doctor is needed she could be sent out a year from now without great disadvantage. We are accordingly endeavoring to arrange for Dr. Cooper's transfer to one of the China Missions.

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Please pardon this brief letter but a great many letters must be sent off by these first mails to the Missions, and it is better to send news of this supplementary appropriation promptly in a short letter than to delay it for the sake of writing at length.

With warm regards to all,

Very sincerely yours,

*Robert H. Jones*

I shall write to the Mission again at the first opportunity, and there are many matters about which I want to write at length.



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August 18th, 1893.

Mrs. L. H. Ferris,  
9 North Street,  
Hillsdale, Michigan.

My Dear Mrs. Ferris:-

Thank you very much for the postal card telling of your decision with reference to the Worcester home. I am sure that, having sought Divine guidance, you have received it. I do hope that you will get a good rest, so that when you go back to India, it may be completely restored in body, mind and spirit.

Mr. Simonson arrived in this country yesterday morning. Perhaps you had heard that he had not been well out in India; that he had trouble with his eyes. He went at once to one of the best oculists here, who greatly relieved him by telling him that there was nothing the matter with his eyes, that all he needed was a general toning up of his nervous system, such as he could get by a little rest here. Mr. Simonson seemed like a different man when he came back from the oculists. Naturally a great burden was lifted from him, and he went on his way home last evening, in the best of spirits.

After my talks with you and Miss Patton when you were here, and on the basis of letters from the Mission indicating its solicitude with reference to the plan of the Village Settlement, it seems best to us here not to press the Settlement idea any further at present, by sending out any more workers, and Dr. Cooper, whom you met, has accord-

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ingly been transferred to north China. Now, Lo and behold! Mr. Simonson urges on behalf of the Mission, that Dr. Cooper be sent out without fail, and letters from Dr. Wanless and others make the same request. I fear it is too late, however, so far as Dr. Cooper is concerned. She has already been assigned to the East Shantung Mission, has purchased a good part of her outfit, has been adopted by the church that is supporting a good part of the Station to which she goes, and which hopes to support the whole of it, and her passage has been engaged for an early date in September. On the other hand, we have now strong letters from Western India asking for Dr. Cooper for the Settlement, and we have also the money with which to send a doctor. We shall set about at once finding someone else who can take Dr. Cooper's place. Probably by the time we have found her, we shall have further light from the Mission, which will indicate positively the judgment of the whole Mission as to the addition of a doctor to the Settlement force.

Mr. Simonson reported everybody as quite well, but said that the plague had appeared again at Sangli, and broken out in Miraj; and also that there has been a great deficiency in the rainfall, which made A BAD PROSPECT FOR THE CROPS. On the other hand, letters from the Northwest provinces speak of unusually great rainfall. Mr. Jolly, Mr. Simonson said, had not yet returned, and the letters from Australia were not encouraging.

With kindest regards.

Very cordially yours,

August 19th, 1899.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,

Birmingham, Penna.

My Dear Mr. Wiley:-

Dr. Halsey has answered your letters in my absence, but I write just a word to say that any time in September will, I think be satisfactory to the Gloversville people. You have by this time heard from Mr. Carter, and I have written to him also, telling him that we will leave the arrangements of the time of your visit to him and you. I can understand why you should not want to give the last week of your stay here to Gloversville, but prefer to go up there a little earlier. You can easily arrange this with Mr. Carter:

I am glad you like the India Missionary Manual. It is a good book.

I notice that in the list of magazines recommended to you, the CENTURY and HARPERS were both included, but the REVIEW OF REVIEWS was not among them. I would not take both the CENTURY and HARPERS, and I would advise a missionary to take the REVIEW OF REVIEWS in preference to either of them. It gives you in good shape the news of the world. THE MISSIONARY REVIEW OF THE WORLD is the best missionary magazine that you can take. Of course you will get the ASSEMBLY HERALD. As for a Church paper, I suppose you would want the one to which you have been accustomed, and which represents your part of the



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country, and to which you plan from time to time to write letters yourself. Please let me know if I can give you any further help.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

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September 5th, 9.

The Rev. J. M. Irwin,  
Wengurlo,  
Konkan, India.

My Dear Mr. Irwin:-

Your two letters of July 18th were received on the 26th of last month. I write at the first opportunity to say that the interpretations placed on the Manual, in your letter of July 18th, are entirely correct. The Manual does provide indirect routes of travel, and for the adjustment of home allowance in such cases. Mr. Ward says that the lump sum which would be allowed for travel, etc. in accordance with the Manual Paragraph 13th, would be \$ 515.00. The stay in Scotland which you propose, and the detentions from the route in Palestine and elsewhere, will be all right. I hope you and Mrs. Irwin may have a delightful trip home, and both a good rest and profitable opportunities of advancing the cause when you are home here.

With reference to the point you so earnestly advance in your other letter of July 18th, in regard to the need of more men in the Mission, I would say that in this I quite agree with you, and that I shall be glad to co-operate with your Mission and the Missions in Northern India, especially the Lodiana Mission, which has the same feeling, in securing in the coming years the appointment of as many men as we may be able for India.

I have had among my letters to answer for quite a while, your long good letter of November 8th to Dr. Gillespie, together with

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your shorter note of December 1<sup>st</sup>. The corrections in the estimate sheets treated of in this latter letter, were attended to at the time. The other letter I acknowledged once in a letter to the Mission, but I think Dr. Gillespie was never able to reply to it, though it bears his initial and has some of his marks through it, showing that he had read it carefully. You make a very strong statement there in. I remember how much it impressed me the first time I read it, and I do earnestly hope that it may be possible to develop the work in the Konkan, while keeping pace, too, so far as we may be able, with our responsibilities in the other sections of the field.

I had hoped to be able to write you more at length on this subject, but must defer doing so.

I am venturing to send you herewith a copy of a little book containing some addresses delivered at Northfield in the last few Summers, which may be of interest to you and Mrs. Irwin, and which you may care to read together some quiet evening.

I enclose herewith a copy of some statements which have been under consideration by one of the Board's Committees, and were some time ago presented to the Board. The Board thought best, however, not to take action on them beyond instructing us to send them to some of the more experienced missionaries, asking for their suggestions and criticism. Of course it is hard to prepare general statements of that sort that will be satisfactory, but I think there is a wisdom in having that something of the sort - the result of the judgment of the



missionaries and their experience - would be helpful; and I hope some day when you have a little leisure, you will read over these statements and make any comments on them that occur to you, and suggest any improvements or criticisms.

With kind regards to you both.

Very cordially yours,

P. S.

The figure \$515. mentioned in the letter, is the amount covering the travel and baggage expenses of yourself and Mrs. Irwin as nearly as Mr. Hand can estimate it. It does not include any freight. Of course your freight would come through directly, and Mr. Hand would arrange for that beyond the amount he has figured. If, moreover, there are any considerations indicating that the amount should be more or less than Mr. Hand has computed, I know he would be glad to take the matter up for revision.

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Sept. 14, 1900

Mr. Marshall Dexter,  
Cleveland, Ohio, N.Y.

My Dear President:

The salary of Mr. Wiley in 1900 is \$1000. The Board of Missions of the W.M.F. has decided to contribute to Mr. Wiley's salary the sum of \$400.00. As the amount left for Mr. Wiley's support is \$600. At the same time, as you know, this does not begin to cover the expenses required in a new missionary. It merely provides the personal salary. Beyond this, there are the expenses of language teacher, itinerating work, attendance on Mission Meetings, provision of a house, etc. You can raise just as much more as \$600.00 as you wish.

I enclose herewith a letter for Mr. Wiley. Will you kindly send it to him?

With warm regards,

Very cordially yours

W. A. R.

Sept. 14th, 1899.

Dr. Mary J. Stewart,  
Cayucos, Cal.

Dear Dr. Stewart:

Your good letter of Sept. 4th has been received. The other young woman to whom I wrote with reference to the work in India writes that she is still unable to go, so that we shall regard this as providentially confirming the plan which suggested to you that you should go to join the Settlement in the Western India Mission. We are specially pleased to see the way in which, in your letter, you look at this call, going out in the spirit of obedience to Christ, and with the desire only to follow His will. We are sure that God will be able greatly to bless you and to make your work in India very fruitful.

It is a little unusual for us to send missionaries from the Pacific Coast to India. I think almost all our missionaries in India have been from the central or eastern part of the country, and it may be that it will be better to have you go direct from the Pacific Coast to India, by way of Hong Kong and Singapore, than to come across the continent. Mr. Hand, the Treasurer, will look this up, however, and after the meeting of the Board next Monday will communicate with you regarding your route and the time of your departure. Miss Cooper, one of our missionaries in Siam, expects to sail October 24th, and if you could be ready to go with her, in case Mr. Hand decides that it will be cheaper for you to go by way of the Pacific, you would have her company as far as Singapore. If it is determined that you



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should go by the Atlantic, we have a little party expecting to go in January, and you could go with them.

Regarding the necessary equipment, I should advise you not to burden yourself with many medical supplies at present. We have a very well-equipped hospital at Miraj, India, where four of the young women composing the settlement are now studying the language, and if you should be with them for a year or so in Miraj, you could have the use of the hospital equipment. In any event, you will want to give your time for the first year to the study of the language, and that will give you time enough to find out exactly what you will most need, and to order it from home or from Great Britain. With reference to any other outfit, I would advise you to correspond with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hannum of the Western India Mission, who are now in this country, at 119 Ohio Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. As I wrote you, the basis on which the young women of this Village Settlement have gone out is a very self-denying basis, and I think they have not burdened themselves with any special outfit. If you do not sail until January, there would be time enough for you to write out and consult them. You might address Miss E. Emily Scheurman, Miraj, U.M. C. India. I should think it would be well to write at once to her. If you go in November or October, nothing will be lost, whereas if you wait until January, quite a little may be gained by such a correspondence.

I am sending herewith the pages from our last Annual Report telling of the work in India, and also a copy of the Historical Sketch of ~~our~~ Missions in India. These will make you somewhat familiar with the general facts of the work.

You will let me know if I can help you in any way, or can

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give you any counsel or assistance. The help that you most need, however, must come from one who is able to prepare you perfectly for His work, and to use you powerfully in it. Commending you very earnestly to His care, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Sept. 26th,

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The Rev. L. B. Tedford,  
Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Tedford:

I have had on my desk for a long time your letter of last November to Dr. Gillespie, intending to answer it and never having filed it away. Now I have also your good letters to me of July 14th, July 26th, and August 17th and 23rd, and also Mrs. Tedford's helpful letter of June 19th.

Referring to your letter to Dr. Gillespie regarding the estimates, I would say that I kept constantly in mind the strong statements you made regarding the necessity for extra repairs in the Panhala building, and am very sorry that the necessary curtailments of the year prevented the appropriations for these repairs, and also for a hundred other pressing necessities in the Western India and other Missions.

I don't know when I have read such vivid accounts of the poverty of the Indian Christians as those contained in your letters, and it is most distressing to think that the deficiency of rainfall may bring down on you a famine at this time worse than the awful famine that fell upon the country two years ago. I am having a copy made of your letter of July 14th, and shall send it, as you suggest, to the Christian Herald. The Christian Herald is very much taken up just now with Porto Rico, and I am inclined to think that it likes new enterprises, and might be slow to take up again an Indian famine fund, but the paper does a vast deal of good in these relief move-



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ments and it may be willing to attempt something more for India. It might be well for you to write directly to the paper too, or a letter to the editor which you can send here; and I shall be glad to forward. I heard Bishop Thoburn say once that he believed half the population of the world lay down to sleep hungry every night. Do you remember how Sir William Hunter reported once that seventy million people in India never ate more than once a day, and probably then but a scanty part of what they required?

We have heard both indirectly and directly from Mr. Jolly of his return, and I hope now you can get up your windmill and Mr. Jolly may so far regain health and strength as to be able to develop the industrial work in the school, and so take a long step in the direction of making our Christians independent and industrially self-supporting.

I had never heard that the highest official in the state, the "real king" of whom you speak in your letter of July 14th, and by whom you evidently mean the British Resident, strove to have the young king expel all missionaries from his kingdom. Is this the same Col. Wray against whom the last Mission Meeting protested to the Bombay Government on the ground of his delinquencies in connection with the plague? Mr. Hunter had told me a number of things about Col. Wray but I did not know that he was so bitterly opposed to the missionaries and their work as an effort to expel them would imply.

Thank you very much for what you say regarding the Village Settlement. I appreciate the situation in which the Mission has found itself with reference to this plan of work, and the admirable spirit in which it has taken the matter up. I am sure that God's wisdom will guide you and enable you to do what is best. You will learn from

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the accompanying letter to the Mission of the appointment of Dr. Stewart and the reasons for it. 'This may seem like pressing the Village Settlement yet further, still I think the case will appear to you as one that justified her appointment.

Thank you very much for your practical suggestions regarding topics for the next Conference of Mission Boards here. There will not be any such Conference this coming year. The Ecumenical Missionary Conference will take its place. I think that the question of industrial missions will be given ample space in the Ecumenical Conference. You know there is an Industrial Missions' Aid Society in London, the object of which is simply to foster industries that will provide employment for native Christians, and develop the possibilities of industrial independence among native Christians. Its address is W.H.J.Hatch, 10 Paternoster Row, London. You might be interested in corresponding with it, with a view to the possibility of its undertaking anything in your field.

I had already marked the passage in your letter of July 14th regarding Col. Wray as private, so that the warning of your note of July 26th was anticipated. I have called Mr. Hand's attention again to the matter of Peloubet's Notes.

We made it plain to Dr. McArthur and to Mr. and Mrs. Wiley here that the question of their assignment was left to the Mission, and that they must be prepared for location at whatever Station the Mission might determine. They are good people and cordially recognize the Mission's authority.

I noticed in one of the papers the other morning a telegram from India announcing that there had been good rains in Bombay Presidency. We have not given up the hope therefore that you may have

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had rains enough to prevent severe famine.

I am sending you herewith a little book containing some addresses delivered from summer to summer the last few years to students at Northfield. They are picked out from a good many, and just put in this form for convenience. I got some of them on purpose to send out to the mission field, and shall be more than glad if even one helpful thought comes to you from looking over these simple talks.

I enclose herewith some outlines of a statement of mission principles. They are the result of the work of a Sub-Committee of the Board. When the Committee presented these statements to the Board, however, the Board thought it best not to adopt them or to take any action regarding them, but to advise the Committee to send to leading missionaries for their corrections and criticism. As you will see, the statement is quite incomplete, covering only a few principles and dealing with some much more at length than with others. I think, however, that this attempt is in the right direction, and that after some years it may be possible in this way to gather from experienced missionaries such a consensus of opinion as will be of incalculable value.

I hope that you and Mrs. Tedford are both very well. I enclose herewith a little note for her in answer to her kind letter. With warm regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosures.



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To the

WESTERN INDIA MISSION--

My dear friends:

Before this letter reaches you, you will have welcomed to the Mission the Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Wiley and Dr. Victoria McArthur, who sailed last week. We are confident that they will have come to you from the fulness of the blessing of Christ's Gospel, and that if God spares their lives and gives them strength of body for His work and theirs, they will accomplish much in His blessed service in Western India.

I have pleasure in reporting also that after a good many alternations of opinion, a woman physician has been appointed to the Village Settlement. Dr. Effie B. Cooper had been appointed and assigned to the Mission with this work in view, but the uncertainty which seemed to hang about the future of the Settlement and the fact that no place was in view for its permanent location, suggested the expediency of transferring Dr. Cooper to some other field and waiting a little while before appointing any Doctor to take her place. Accordingly Dr. Cooper was assigned instead to the East Shantung Mission. The money for the support of a Doctor for the Settlement, however, was already in hand, and when Mr. Simonson came he expressed the conviction that the unanimous sentiment of the Mission would be in favor of the Board's assigning and sending out a young woman Doctor, with the Settlement in view. Strong letters came also from the Miraj Station, urging that Dr. Cooper be not transferred to another

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Mission. Taking together the letters from the Mission, Mr. Simonson's judgment, and the fact that the money was in hand and that a young woman physician was available, the Board felt that the Mission would prefer that it should go forward. Accordingly the Board appointed at its last meeting Dr. Mary J. Stewart, of California. Dr. Stewart is a graduate of the Medical Department of the University of California and we have been especially pleased with the testimonials as to her consecration, her earnest Christian spirit, and her zeal in Christian work. Dr. Hemphill of San Francisco, formerly her pastor, testifies to "her rare Christian worth", and adds: "She made her influence felt for good in every department of our church work and life, and always speaks good sense, with great self-poise." Her father is a Presbyterian elder, and the ladies of the Pacific Board commend her very cordially. I judge she is a young woman of simple and unaffected character, but of strong Christian spirit, not afraid of missionary sacrifice.

Dr. Stewart will not be able to go before December or January. Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, who are still detained here on account of Mrs. Hannum's health, expect to go in January. Mrs. Forman, of the Louisiana Mission anticipates returning at the same time, with Miss Rogers who goes out to the Woodstock schools.

Various letters from all three Missions in India were laid before the Board at a recent meeting, urging the importance of the appointment of more men for the India Missions. I think there is the completest sympathy with all the desires of the Missions in this matter, and while the Board desires to move carefully so as to get as good men as possible, and must also consider the claims made in behalf of other fields, it is to be hoped that there may be, within

the next few years, something approaching an adequate number of appointments of men to the India Missions. The action of the Board, as entered on the Minutes of its meeting, is as follows:

"Communications from the India Missions urging the appointment of a larger proportion of men to these Missions, were laid before the Board, and the Secretary in charge of the correspondence was instructed to assure the Missions of the Board's hearty sympathy with them, and their desires in this matter, and its anxiety to provide as might be possible in justice to the claims of other Missions as well, a larger number of men for the three Missions in India."

With reference to Mr. Simonson's return, I am glad to report as doubtless some of you have already learned directly from him, that he is already much better. The oculist here told him that the difficulty with his eyes was due to his depleted nervous condition, and that his eyes would be all right as his nervous system was toned up. He

writes that he is already feeling strong enough to undertake work in the churches, and doubtless after his furlough, which the Board advises him to take at this time, he will be able to go back as strong as ever, and with perhaps better knowledge of how to care for himself in India.

As you doubtless know, Mr. Wilder has accepted the position of Traveling Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association work in India. At a recent meeting of the Board, the following Minute was

adopted; setting forth the Board's sympathy with him and his work, and wishing him God-speed as he goes out from his connection with the Board

"Mr. Robert F. Wilder having been invited by the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A. to become the Traveling College Secretary for India, and having felt it to be his duty to accept this call, it was voted to release Mr. Wilder from whatever relationships might exist between him and the Board, and to express the Board's hearty sympathy with him in his new work, its belief in his adaptation to it, and its earnest prayer that he may be abundantly blessed in the field to which he has been called."

We cannot but feel that, greatly as we could all wish Mr.

Wilder to feel called to take up the regular work in the Western

India, his preparation and training have fitted him especially



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for some such work as this which he now takes up.

You will be glad to know that the receipts continue to improve. I enclose herewith a statement of the condition of the Treasury on the 1st of September. We hear now of a legacy of \$225,000 left to the Board by a piano manufacturer named Baldwin who died in Cincinnati. The will is to be contested, I believe, and in any event there will be some delay in the settlement of such a large estate. We shall hope, however, that the good news that has come may be fulfilled by the actual realization of a good sum. The Rev. R.N. Mateer of the West Shantung Mission, now at home on furlough, is working with his customary resolution at a plan for securing, if possible, a large sum of money from wealthy individuals to supplement the general contributions of the church, and to make possible a distinct forward movement in the occupation of new fields and the sending out of a large number of new missionaries, while raising the present work as well to its fullest efficiency. Financially, the country is prospering greatly. Spiritually, it is to be feared that, while special devotional movements are gaining force, the general work of the church is not so hopeful. The gain in church membership last year was alarmingly small as compared with preceding years, and however great the prosperity of the country, we may not expect much support of missions without corresponding advance in the spiritual life of the church. Personally I believe, however, that we shall see distinct gain here also, and that we may surely hope for some real advance in our work for the evangelization of the peoples to whom we must give the Gospel.

I trust that as the Mission meets in its annual gathering it may be possible to see a distinct advance in the work, as compared

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with its position a year ago. It is not always easy to mark the weekly or the monthly advance -- perhaps it is hard to discern the yearly advance; but I hope that in some regards, distinct progress may be perceptible to encourage your hearts and to suggest the lines for future work. Even if no very perceptible progress during the year is to be marked, we can look back over the long years and take our comfort in the very visible growth there. As the author of "Alice in Wonderland" says, in one of the letters printed in his life --

"Sit on the beach, and watch the waves for a few seconds; you say, 'the tide is coming in'; watch half a dozen successive waves, and you may say 'the last is the lowest; it is going out'. Wait a quarter of an hour, and compare its average place with what it was at first, and you will say, 'No, it is coming in after all'".

With warm regards to all,

Very sincerely yours,



Sept. 27th,

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W. J. Wenless, M.D.,  
Miral, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Dr. Wenless:

I have been waiting to write to you for quite a while, partly in answer to the letters I found among Dr. Gillespie's papers when I took over his correspondence, but chiefly just to say how delightful it is to resume these pleasant relations with the Mission, and especially with you and other personal friends. My delay in writing has put me greatly in your debt, as I have now to acknowledge your letters of Nov. 24th, May 31st, July 6th and July 20th. The Nov. 24th letter I had turned over to Dr. Gillespie, but he had never answered it and it came back to me. I cannot tell you how hard it is to get used to the idea of his absence. Of course we are growing slowly accustomed to it now. Dr. Ellinwood of course feels it most, as it leaves him alone of the older men here, and he had been longest associated with Dr. Gillespie. But I feel it a great deal too, because now I have seen Dr. Lowrie, Dr. Mitchell, Dr. Gillespie and Mr. Dulles all pass out of the offices-- old Dr. Lowrie to wait with Satterel and for the release of death; Dr. Mitchell and Dr. Gillespie to pass, through weakness and pain, to the strength and rest of their home above; and Mr. Dulles, to lay aside this work, with all its tax upon nerve and brain, to take up other work outside, but with unabatement of interest here. When Dr. Ellinwood goes, which I hope will be many years hence, I shall be the eldest officer in the latter part of the term of service here.

I am glad you have found the little book on The Man Christ



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Jesus useful in your Sunday evening English class. I am sending you herewith another little book of quite a different character, containing some simple Bible talks. Perhaps they may be of some use in your English class also.

I have been a little perplexed by your letter of May 31st, regarding the statement of the Auditing Committee made with special reference to the Miraj accounts. No such statement had been forwarded to me and Mr. Hand says he has received nothing of the kind. In case any statement should come, however, we shall have your letter on file and can take it up with the Auditing Committee's representations.

The general principle of the Manual regarding receipts on the field is, I think, quite clear, and any difficulty can be avoided by making the estimates at the beginning of the year conform to the situation. Of course if, on one hand, the Board is to be held liable for making up any falling off in estimated receipts, it should have the advantage of any excess of such receipts. If you will turn to paragraph 45 of the Manual of the Board, you will find the whole matter clearly set forth in what I think commends itself to almost everyone as the most just and equitable arrangement. This paragraph does not cut the nerve of self-support, while, on the other hand, it takes into just account the amounts that it may properly be expected to secure upon the field.

I have no doubt of the accuracy of your representations regarding the economy of the hospital work in comparison with the work of the government hospitals. I think you would be a little surprised though at the cheapness of some of our other hospitals. In Canton, for example, the largest hospital we have, which treats nearly more than 35,000 out-patients and has an annual attendance of about 1700

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In-patients, costs nothing except the salaries of two doctors. All the rest of the expense is raised on the field. In Tungchow, China, we have a hospital where, according to the last figures I have at hand, we treated 12,000 out-patients during the year at an expense to the Board, not counting the missionary's salary, of about \$25, or an average of between two and three cents per patient. Including the missionary's salary, the cost would be about twelve or thirteen cents. Of course there are other hospitals in China where the expense runs about seven cents per patient, not including the missionary's salary, which adds about ten or twelve cents. I think this would be about the average cost in our China hospitals. I have not looked up the Korean expenses, but I think they would run about the same.

You will learn from the accompanying letter to the Mission of the appointment of Dr. Stewart in place of Dr. Cooper. Mr. Simonson's representations and especially your letter of July 20th, as Station Secretary, weighed greatly with the Board in reaching the decision to appoint Dr. Stewart.

I appreciate what you say in your letter of July 5th regarding the difficult duty devolving on the Mission to arrange for the Settlement. It is a difficult duty. I have hardly been able to get at as yet all the inside of the matter, as the situation now develops on the field. Mrs. Wilder and Miss Grace are in Kolhapur and the four young women are in Miraj, and apparently the Mission does not think it best -- perhaps not possible -- that all six should be located together in some village, with the doctor making seven, when she arrives. I wish you would tell me all about the inside facts, as to your judgment of the relation of Miss Wilder and her mother to the scheme, so that I may be ready to act with full intelligence on the Mission's

I have been thinking of you a great deal lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you a great deal lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you.

Mrs. Soper and I often think of the visit we had from you in Cambridge, and the sweet evening on which you told us of your plans. We are living out in Englewood now, and all of us look forward to having you with us again when you next come home.

With cordial regards to Mr. Soper and yourself,  
Your sincere friend



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Miss Grace E. Wilder,  
Kolhapur, India.

My dear Miss Wilder:

The accompanying letter to the Mission will tell you of the appointment of Dr. Stewart in Dr. Cooper's place, as the Doctor for the Settlement. Mrs. John Crosby Browne and Mrs. Delano raised the money for the present year, although I am not quite sure as to what their understanding is of their obligations for the future. I presume that they of course expect to see that the support is kept up. I am quite sure that the Board will not agree to any further enlargement of the Settlement at the present time. We shall be waiting with much interest to know the decision of the Mission at its coming meeting as to your location. I presume that you and your mother will go with the young women, especially if a Doctor is one of the company. You do not speak in any of the good letters which have come from you of your own thought in the matter, but I suppose you assume that the original arrangement will be carried out as soon as practicable. Or ought we to infer from the present arrangement that you and the Mission think that it is not possible for you to take your mother with the young women into the Settlement work. Your reference in your note of June 8th to "the desirability of so increasing our number that some of us can be taken for present Station work-- just here in Kolhapur we could so well use a group of four ladies, two for villages around Kolhapur, one to assist in the Boarding School and one for city work; in Miraj two ladies would find a most engrossing field"--- makes me wonder a little whether you are contemplating surrendering the Settlement

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I think the Board will try now, in accordance with the earnest desire of all the Missions in India, and especially of yours, and what I think is your own strong judgment too, to send out a larger number of men. If we could only get some men settlements, we could enlarge our work so readily. We expect this year to send out to the Seminaries a strong statement regarding the desirability of men who will go out at least for some years with the idea of doing the away from home, country work, and perhaps, although nothing has been decided on this line yet, for young men who would be willing, by going in groups, to reduce the expense, and might it not be hoped to increase, along some lines at least, though doubtless not along others, the efficiency of their work? I do not see why it should be possible for us to have more than one hundred and fifty young women in the Missions and not be possible to have at least a fraction of that number of young men on the same basis. Of course it is usually urged that the poor young men cannot take care of themselves -- they sew so badly, and they do not know anything about cooking, and otherwise they are helpless and imposed upon. But perhaps we might have an adjunct to the Annual Missionary Training Conference here, where the poor creatures of this sort might be taught to sew and to cook. Seriously, I do think that we need a stiffer call, with a little more iron and blood in it, sounded through our Theological Seminaries. Don't you think so?

I am enclosing a little note to your mother. It is delightful to know that her arm has healed so quickly and so satisfactorily.

Just today I received from Veldre, where Robert evidently is now, a photograph of him which he very kindly sent. I have not heard from him since he left the country, but hope he and his family

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are very well. Perhaps you will see a little more, his wife and the children when he gets started on his constant travelling work over India. I should think the necessity of being away from home so much of his time would prefer a great hardship in connection with this new work.

You will let me know of all the developments in the Settlement work, will you not, and also of how you and your mother are in all things?

With kindest regards,

Your sincere friend,



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Mrs. Eliza J. Wilder,  
Kollhapur,  
India.

My dear Mrs. Wilder:

It was very good of you to write such a nice long letter, and I appreciate your kindness in doing it very much. I enjoyed greatly all the news it contained and the very clear picture it gave of the work of the Station. It must be, as you say, very encouraging to look back over the forty years and more of your life in India and see the vast changes that have come. I can understand how the change that strikes you so greatly is the way women have been taught to read. However much may be said about the failure of missions it is perfectly obvious that they have totally changed the status of women in some regards. I noticed in one of the Japan papers yesterday the statement that an old woman accompanied by five younger women had just made the pilgrimage to the top of the sacred mountain Fuji Yami. Under the old era before Christianity came, no woman was allowed near the mountain. The same paper stated as a curious fact further that whereas a few years ago when the Emperor and Empress of Japan made contributions to any object, the gifts were stated separately-- His Majesty the Emperor so much, and Her Majesty the Empress so much, Now the gifts are put together and the statement is made, His Majesty the Emperor and Her Majesty the Empress. So even among those who are not Christians there are changes due, whether they are willing to confess it or not, to that influence of Christianity which insists that women shall not be trailed along behind man or denied the privileges which are accorded him.

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We are glad to learn that the young women are getting along so well at Miraj and making good progress on the language.

You will have heard, of course, long ago from Robert of his decision as to his future work. We talked it over at great length together, and I think on the whole he decided wisely. His experience for the last fifteen years has specially fitted him for this kind of work, and it may be believed as perhaps so trained him that he would not be happy in a local station work. And the Board cordially assents to his new plan of work and is ready to relinquish all its claims upon him that he may follow what he believes to be the call of duty.

I hope as the Settlement affairs mature and as you begin to understand the difficulties of which you speak as surrounding it, and which you "cannot now very well explain", you will write fully either directly or through Grace, so that I may understand the whole situation.

I enclose a little bit of verse which may bring a word of peace and comfort to you. I prize these little things very much myself and take pleasure in passing them on, in the hope that they may bring good to others. With warmest regards,

Very sincerely your friend,

October 28th, 1899.

Mrs. P. D. Browne,  
Lytton Springs, Cal.

My dear Mrs. Brown:

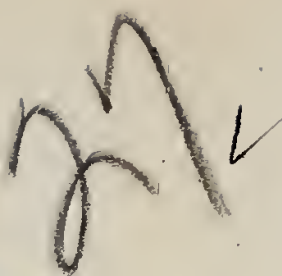
Your kind letter of Oct. 5th, regarding Dr. Stewart, was received some time ago. I think everything is adjusted now, and Dr. Stewart will have heard, or will soon hear, from the ladies of the New York Board. I think they will gladly help her some too, if it is necessary, in the matter of her outfit, as was done in the case of the other members of the Settlement Band.

The expressions in your letter regarding Dr. Stewart's health are the first that we have had, in the way of misgiving. I have just looked up the medical certificate again, which speaks of her as in very vigorous health, and pronounces her a first-class life insurance risk. At the same time, we must be careful, and I hope the first time Dr. Stewart comes to San Francisco, you will have her consult one of your most reliable physicians, and have him make a thorough and merciless examination. Of course, while Dr. Stewart is to be one of the missionaries of the New York Board, she was one of your candidates, and the responsibility of making sure that she was physically qualified for the work would in part rest upon you.

I am sorry to learn of Mr. Browne's illness, and hope that by this time he has quite recovered. With warm regards from Dr. Ellinwood and Mrs. Speer and myself,

Very sincerely yours,





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Miss E. Emily Scheurman,  
Miraj,  
India.

My Dear Miss Scheurman:-

My letter to the Mission informing you of the appointment of Dr. Stewart in the place of Dr. Cooper, answers in a way that would be most satisfactory to you, your letter in behalf of the Village Settlement, which was received about the middle of August; but I wanted to write just a note to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, and send to you and to your associates in the Settlement, our warm greetings, and to ask after you all. I have just been writing to Miss Giles, but I do not like to file away any letters without answering them, and I do want to get started a friendly and helpful correspondence with you and your associates.

I hope we may have full and interesting letters from you all, of your impressions of your first year in India. You know we are depending upon special givers at home to provide the funds for the support of the Settlement, and it will be impossible to maintain their interest unless we have information that we can send them. Would you please impress upon all the members of the Settlement the desirability of their writing now and then? They need not try to write great formal letters, but just such simple friendly letters as they would write to their own homes.

I judge from the news that comes from some letters from the

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field, that your first Fall and Winter in India will be a very trying one. You have seen the ravages of the plague through the whole year; but to this you will see added now, the horrors of famine. There is scarcely anything that seems to deprave humanity so much, and lower it to the level of animals, as that of hunger. I went through the North-west Provinces during the dreadful famine three years ago, and can appreciate something of what you will all feel these coming months, as you look upon the sorrow and suffering beyond your power to relieve. It makes one long at such times to have present the Saviour Himself, with His power to create and feed the multitudes, as He broke bread and fish and fed the thousands in Galilee. And while such times of suffering do break down old ideas, yet, on the other hand, they do not leave poor dying people in a good condition to understand spiritual truth. When the body is in agony with physical hunger, the soul is too often likely to be numb and dead, instead of quickened to real desire after what is more important than bread and drink.

I hope you have all made good progress in the language, and are not finding it difficult or trying; but even now are having the encouragement and gladness that come from being able to speak of Christ to the people, and to know that you are understood.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,





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Rev. E. M. Wilson,  
Sangli, India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:

I have been <sup>to write</sup> wanting you a good long letter ever since I was assigned once more the duty and privilege of corresponding with the Western India Mission. But it is hard work writing all the letters that one wants to write, and yet now that an opportunity has come, it is an easy thing to write to you. Pleasant memories of our Princeton days together come back very vividly, and I can see your face right here beside me as I write, and hear your voice. I was thinking of you a great deal out in the Synod of Iowa, where I met your father who had come over to represent the Omaha Seminary before the Synod. We had a nice little talk together about you. I hope that you keep your health, and that even the heat of the summer is not over-tiring you. Be careful of yourself, if you have to pass through a bad famine season now. It is an easy thing to overstrain one's sympathies at such a time and to overtax one's strength. We have been hoping against hope that either the dispatches in the newspapers or letters from the field would indicate that rains had come, even at the last hour, to break the back of a bad famine. If they could not prevent hardship and destitution. Apparently no such rains came, however, and I judge, partly from silence and partly from what little is said,



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that you are in for a horrible winter. I pray that God may give you all grace to endure these burdens, and may make the sufferings of the people an opportunity for the kind of work that shall win their hearts to a faith in Jesus Christ.

I think almost all the items referred to in your letters as Secretary have been answered in letters to the Mission. I shall be writing within a few days to the Mission, to inform it of actions taken by the Board while I was absent at the Synods, of which I think Mr. Hand has already notified the Mission Treasurer. The Board appropriated the amount asked for for the Sangli Boys' School, and the Kolhapur Girls' School -- 1600 rupees for the former, 2100 for the latter. This was not intended, of course, to relieve all of us who have any influence over friends, from the duty of raising all that we can toward these amounts, but the Board assumed the responsibility for them so that the work could go forward immediately. I hope you will use the influence you have with your friends to induce them to make contributions, to be sent directly to us here, with the statement that they are for the 1600 rupees required for the Sangli building. I know you well enough to be sure that the fact that the Board has been so generous as to stand behind in this matter and authorize the Mission to go ahead will not dull the edge of your readiness to do all that you can to raise this money. Of course, the Board does not have this money -- it is simply pledging credit which must be redeemed by actual receipts.

I appreciate all that you say about the Mission's need for men

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I do hope that more men may be sent. Just at present, however, the Board's readiness to send men is in advance of the supply. We are looking for a couple of men for India, an ordained man for the mountains of the West Persia Mission, and one or two men for the Philippines. We want three doctors -- one for the Philippines, two for Persia, and we want an unordained man to go out as teacher for Chili. I am writing to-day to the Student Volunteer Movement, asking them if they won't put us on the track of some men of the right kind, and we are putting appeals in the papers and writing to doctors and Seminaries. I do not think the difficulty lies in the absence of men, but in the fact that human nature is very sensitive, and the impression has got abroad that there are more men than the Boards need. If we could constantly keep before the Church a clear and unqualified call, I think we would have large numbers of men offering to go.

I want to thank you for all that you say so candidly and helpfully regarding the Village Settlement. When the matter was before the Board, there were two very strong sets of opinions expressed. I recall especially two members of the Board who had very firm convictions on the opposite side. Now that the matter is arranged as it is, we must all work together and do the best we can, and see whether something cannot be accomplished by the plan. I do not think there is any danger of an enlargement of the Settlement, of the present force when Dr. Stewart is added, and I am in heartiest sympathy with your desire and that of the Mission for an enlargement of the number of men. One difficulty in the way is the strong work of the Women's Boards here at



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home. Of course they get candidates who want to go to India, and the Women's Boards want to support them, and enough appeals come from the field sometimes, with formal Mission endorsement, to make it difficult to oppose these appointments in the interests of a larger proportion of men.

With reference to the difficulties which you suggest, in connection with the Village Settlement, is it not true that these difficulties are met and overcome in some other fields? It is harder for women to live in an isolated, inland Chinese city than it is for them to live in India, and yet there are many women who do this. As to the salary given, I understand that it is as much as is paid by the Methodist Society to their Settlement workers, or deaconesses, or whatever they call them. At any rate, let us, while frankly facing the difficulties, endeavor to minimize them and see whether we cannot, out of this Settlement scheme, accomplish something good in the way of village work and of economical evangelization.

I am sending you herewith two books which I hope may be of some little interest or help to you. One is a little volume entitled "Remember Jesus Christ", containing some addresses delivered at Northfield; the other is a copy of Dr. Pierson's Life of George Muller. Dr. Pierson has very generously given us a number of copies of this book for distribution. I think he will be pleased if some time you can send him a little note, acknowledging its receipt, and thanking him for his thoughtfulness. His address is 1127 Dean Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. With kindest regards, Your sincere friend,



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Miss Alice L. Giles,  
Miraj,  
India.

My Dear Miss Giles:-

If I had written to you as often as I have thought of you, you would have received innumerable letters since you sailed so many months ago. I received in March, your note written on the Spartan Prince, and I have also your postal card of March 31st from Mahableshwar, telling of your safe arrival in Bombay, on March 24th, and your letter of August 11th from Miraj, speaking especially of your sister. I am very glad to hear of her, and to have her address. Mrs. Speer and I will try to see if we can do anything for her and you. I remember her very well, meeting her several times in Philadelphia, where she came to different meetings at which I spoke. If we can meet her, and win her interest, we shall be very glad to do so.

I hope the Settlement is getting along nicely. Before this letter reaches you, you will have had the Annual Meeting of the Mission, and plans will have been considered for the coming Winter. I am sure the Mission will have sought and found guidance from Above in this matter, and that He who has led you all thus far, will continue to lead, and see that your work comes to you just as you are able to undertake it. I am so glad that it is possible to send out to the Settlement the doctor desired. Until the last letters came, the impres-

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sion gathered from the correspondence from the field was to the effect that the future was so indefinite that it might be better for the Board not to enlarge the number of Settlement workers too rapidly.

I hope you will keep us fully informed about all the plans and all the talk of plans. It is very hard to learn little, and yet be expected to act intelligently. Of course, to you who are on the field, everything is right before your eyes, and it is easy to get into a way of thinking that people ten thousand miles away know it, without the necessity of being informed of it.

I am sending you herewith, for your reading together some evenings when you lay aside your work, a little book, containing some Northfield addresses, some of which perhaps you may have seen in Northfield Echoes, but which you and the other members of the Settlement may be interested in reading again.

I hope the others are all well, and that you are quite well and strong yourself, and most of all that God's peace and love are filling all your hearts, and His wisdom making you wise in all your work for Him.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,



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The Rev. John Jolly,

Sangli, India.

My Dear Mr. Jolly:-

It was a great pleasure to receive several weeks ago, your letter written on your return to India. I am sorry that the result of the trip to Australia was not all that you hoped for, but we are all rejoicing that you were benefited some by it, and have felt better since returning to Sangli. I trust that your hope that you are now fairly on the road to complete recovery may be fully realized. We are thankful that, though the plague has raged around about you on every side, all the missionaries have been kept in safety. With famine added to plague, the prospects of the coming Fall and Winter must be very dark. I am waiting anxiously to get your letters telling of the present situation.

You will perhaps have heard from the Mission Treasurer, or, if not, would learn from the letter soon to go to the Mission, of the Board's action at the last meeting, in appropriating the sum of 1600 Rupees for the Sangli boys' school, and the sum of 2100 Rupees for the Kolhapur girls' school. Mr. Wilson had asked permission to try to raise some of this 1600, among his friends, and of course the Board's action pre-supposes that, <sup>although</sup> ~~with~~ for the sake of enabling you to go forward with the project, the Board assumes responsibility and appropriates the money, expecting that friends at home and in answer to



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the efforts of Mr. Wilson and others, will give the required amount.

I find that your note of March 12th, written to Dr. Gillespie from Colombo, has not been answered. We were rejoiced to learn from it of Mrs. Jolly's good health. It was with a good many misgivings that we saw you go back to India, and it is very gratifying indeed to know that no mistake was made, so far as Mrs. Jolly is concerned, and that she is now better than ever. I do hope that you may be able to let us know before long of your perfect recovery.

I am watching with interest for the annual reports from the Mission. Your absence in Australia must have greatly disarranged your work for the year, but I shall be glad to know what is under way now in the line of industrial work, and what you are planning for the near future.

With kind regards to Mrs. Jolly and yourself.

Very cordially yours,

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Mrs. James M. Goheen,  
Kolhapur, India.

My Dear Mrs. Goheen:

Your good letter of July 20th was received about the middle of August, and I read it through with an instant response of sympathy, but with a sinking heart, as I felt the impossibility of the Board being able to anything in reply. However, God has been better than our expectations, and the gifts of the churches have been so generous thus far, that the Finance Committee has felt warranted in recommending very liberal grants to the Board, and at the last meeting 2100 Rupees were appropriated for the girls' school and also 1600 Rupees for the boys' school. Mr. Hand has already informed the Mission Treasurer of these grants, and in a letter I hope to write to the Mission next week, I will allude to that again; but I wanted to write a little personal letter to you to tell you of this good news. The Women's Board in Philadelphia will undertake to raise the money whose expenditure the Board has now authorized, and for which the Board has made itself responsible; and I hope they will take advantage of the presence here of Mrs. Ferris and Miss Patton, to make sure of securing all this money as extra gifts. Perhaps Miss Patton will help, too, in raising the money for the boys' school, some of which Mr. Wilson hopes to help to get from among his friends. Perhaps the Philadelphia ladies will assign the 2100 Rupees to our own Presbytery, and I



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do not see why Mrs. Ferris and Miss Patton, or Mrs. Ferris alone, who is spending more of her time in this part of the country than Miss Patton, could not raise that money from our Huntingdon churches.

I have had for a long time among the papers which I took over after Dr. Gillespie's death, Mr. Goheen's letter of October 13th, 1898, which Dr. Gillespie read, for it has his initial in a rather trembling hand in the corner, and also the bi-monthly letter of the Kolhapur Station, under date of February 8th. I want to thank you for the kindly-tempered and yet frank statements of that bi-monthly letter regarding the Village Settlement plan. The letters that have come from different members of the Mission on the subject have all shown the most beautiful Christian spirit. And while the appointment of the young women for the Settlement did not command the approval of the judgments of most of the missionaries, I must say that the way they have taken up the matter calls forth the warmest admiration. Of course the thing to do now, waiving all judgments as to the wisdom of what has been done, is to go forward and do the best we can, and see what can be accomplished. The appointment of the young women doctor in response to the earnest requests from the Mission, will meet some of the difficulties that have been suggested. In a field so needy, and from which so many appeals are constantly coming, there must surely be some populous village section where a suitable residence could be obtained or provided, the young women settled, to do a fruitful evangelistic work among the village people. It would only be the same kind of work that is being done elsewhere in India, China,



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and many other places. And, as you say, the money that is provided for them, even though it does not seem large, ought to be enough to enable them to live comfortably, provided there are no great emergencies.

We shall be waiting with much interest the minutes of the Mission Meeting, and the reports of the past year's work. I suppose the Settlement will call for a good deal of prayerful thought and study, and I am sure the minutes will bring wise suggestions for the future.

I hope that you and Mr. Goheen are both well. It seems like reopening an old correspondence with friends to be writing to you again, and getting your letters. I think everybody who comes out of the Huntington Presbytery has a very warm affection for the old valleys and hills, and for everyone who has come out from among them. Just a few days ago a letter came from Dr. Orbison, who is a distant cousin of mine, and who also is from our Presbytery as you know, and the most natural thing in the world is to begin my reply to him, "Dear Hal."

I am sending you herewith two little books which I hope may be of some little interest or help to you. One is a little volume entitled "Remember Jesus Christ," containing some addresses delivered at Northfield; the other is a copy of Dr. Pierson's Life of George Muller. Dr. Pierson has very generously given us a number of copies of this book for distribution. I think he will be pleased if some time you can send him a little note, acknowledging its receipt, and

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thanking him for his thoughtfulness. His address is, 1127 Dean St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

I have not been out to Huntingdon since last spring, and just the other day received a note from Mr. Goheen at Tyrone about the support of Vittoo, for whom the Tyrone Sunday-school sends its money here. Mr. Goheen said they felt that perhaps Vittoo was not receiving enough, and they wanted to know about increasing their gifts to him. I suggested that they ought not to give him more than was asked in the appropriation from the Mission, for the Mission knew what he ought to have, and it would be unfortunate if they should send him an unusual amount of money, so as to create jealousy and discord among the native teachers. I suggested if the Sunday-school wished to give more, it might undertake the support of some one else in addition to Vittoo, and pointed out also how very cheap the people of India live. Of course the amount that we give them to raise is just the amount stated in the annual estimates which you sent for Vittoo and his school.

The membership of the old Presbytery changes a good deal, and the next time you and Mr. Goheen come back you will find a great many old faces gone, and their places taken by new and strange faces. There is nothing to be sad, however, in this, for those who have gone have gone on to what is better, and those who have come in have their trial and discipline before them, before going on to the things that are infinitely richer and more blessed ahead.

With kindest regards to Mr. Goheen and yourself,

Your sincere friend,



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Miss Amanda M. Jefferson,  
Ratnagiri,  
Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Miss Jefferson:

I have your very kind letter of July 27th to answer, and also two letters of yours to Dr. Gillespie -- one dated Jan. 5th and the other March 16th, which have not been acknowledged. Thank you very much for your cordial welcome to me as Corresponding Secretary for India again. I remember with great pleasure our correspondence of early years, and am sure that everything will be as delightful now as it was then. And let us hope that we may see, in God's goodness, much greater advance made in these coming years than we have ever had the privilege of seeing in the past.

I appreciate thoroughly what you said in your letter of July 27th, regarding the need for men. A recent letter to the Mission communicated an Action of the Board on that subject. One trouble is, that the Women's Boards at home are anxious to send out more women to India, and another is, that while the Missions state in a general way that they want men, yet they are constantly making specific requests that they want women, and of course these furnish solid groundwork for argument for the Women's Societies at home.

We have found it hard to find this year the men we want. Two



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men whom we had appointed to Northern India have been obliged to abandon their going -- one on account of his own health, and the other on account of his fiancée. We need badly a number of men whom the Board is prepared to send, but whom it has not been possible as yet to find.

Your letter of January 5th makes request for a supply of Board paper to be sent to the Mission, and I gave an order to this effect to the Shipping Clerk. You can get what you want from Mr. Wilson, the Mission Secretary.

You may have heard from Mr. and Mrs. Hannum of their delay in returning. They are hoping to sail in January with Dr. Stewart, who is going to the Settlement work in place of Dr. Cooper. I had a note the other day from Mr. Hannum telling of the birth of a little girl in their home, saying that Mrs. Hannum was getting along very nicely. We are hoping that she may gain steadily in strength, and that there may be no mishap preventing their getting away at the time anticipated.

We are distressed at the tidings of the famine which come. Mr. Tedford has written very earnestly about the destitution and want which are hanging over the people. We have hoped to the last that there might be rains enough to take the bitterness out of the situation but apparently even these rains at the end of the season did not come, and you have all the horrors of famine before you.

You do not speak in these last letters of your returning next spring, but I presume that you and Miss Minor are looking forward to coming on your furlough at that time. It will be a great pleasure

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to see you both here and to learn about the work more directly. Meanwhile, I hope that this winter may be full of blessing, and richer in good results than any preceding season of your work in India.

Very cordially yours,

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November 8th, 9.

To The Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

It is a very happy task to have to inform you that at a meeting of the Board before the last, two appropriations were made for the Western India Mission, for which the Mission has been earnestly asking, and which I confess I feared that the Board would not feel able to grant, - 1600 Rupees for the Boys' School at Sangli, and 2100 Rupees for the Girls' School at Kolhapur, to meet the requests of the Mission, and to provide for the necessary property enlargements. Before leaving for the meetings of the Synods, we had made out a list in the offices here, of the property which seemed to us most important, and had left these with the Finance Committee, hardly daring to expect that the Committee would approve the whole lot. This was just what it did, however, and the Board felt that the situation at home was such that it could adopt the Committee's recommendation. The Woman's Missionary Society of Philadelphia has undertaken to raise the 2100 Rupees which the Board has appropriated, and doubtless will make use of Mrs. Ferris' invaluable help. This of course will not relieve any of us from the necessity of using all the influence we have with friends to secure this amount. Of course the Board's appropriations do not mean that the Board has the money in its Treasury, but only that it is willing to assume responsibility for it, and authorizes the Mission to go ahead. Mr. Wilson hoped to be able to do quite a little



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tie among his friends toward the 1600 Rupees for the Boys School, and doubtless others could write letters that would help to bring in funds for this purpose, or for the Girls' School. I rejoice with the Mission that these grants have been made, both because of the needed facilities that will thus be provided for the work, and also because coming at this time you will be able to do something of a practical sort toward giving relief to those who might otherwise be destitute, while at the same time getting from them some proper service in return.

held on Monday.

At the ~~next~~ meeting of the Board, the India Committee presented a recommendation on a matter of the greatest importance and interest, both to the Board and to all the Missions in India. This recommendation, which the Board without a dissenting voice adopted, was as follows:

With reference to the question of the most harmonious and efficient administration of the work in India, which has been frequently before the Committee, we recommend that the Board, without committing itself as yet to final judgment, request the India Missions to consider the expediency of the Board's designating some one of the missionaries in India, as Secretary on the field for the India Missions, with some such duties as the following:

(1) Advisory visitation of the various Stations and missionaries, with a view to counsel, encouragement and suggestion.

(2) To act in the place of a Committee ad interim, or Executive Committee, as provided for in the Manual, Section 41.

(3) Authority to approve the transfer of appropriations within certain general limits.

(4) Authority to suggest any changes in the work he may deem advisable.

(5) Authority to transfer missionaries from one department to another, or from one Station to another, with consent of the Mission.

(6) All this not to disturb the present system of general administration, and of estimates, reports and correspondence which it is desirable to maintain for the information of the Board and the Church.

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We would suggest that the Missions be requested to consider the desirability of the appointment of some such Agent, and the functions which he should be expected to discharge, and to make any other recommendations of a specific character, that might tend toward the more harmonious and efficient development of our work in India.

The Board adopted this recommendation of the Committee. As you will see, it is only a tentative suggestion as yet. The Board would not feel able to form judgment without advice from the Missions. But it has been ready to feel, from many interviews with members of the Missions, and from correspondence from the field, that some step in the direction suggested might be welcomed by the Missions, and might tend toward securing some advantages which perhaps we are missing at present. The suggestions contained in the Committee's recommendation, I am sure will not be regarded as rigid or fixed. It is merely feeling after something that it is inclined to believe the Missions agree with the Board in regarding as desirable. Of course there is no need of haste in the consideration of this question. It comes too late to be before the Missions at their meetings this Fall. Any actions of Stations, or communications from individuals that may be sent prior or in addition to any actions which the Missions may take, the Board would cordially welcome, if they would contribute toward the accomplishment of the ends which I am sure the Missions and the Board have equally at heart. Let us pray that God's Spirit may guide in this consideration, and in all the work committed to us, that so His glory may be promoted, and that we, being drawn into perfect concord, may the more efficiently advance the interests of the kingdom, whose King we love and serve.



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I have been striving as far as possible to answer all the delightful personal letters that have come from the members of the Mission, and hope soon to be able to get my work so in hand as to answer promptly every communication however informal or unofficial. And I trust that if there are any little personal services which can be rendered for any of you, you will believe that it will be the greatest pleasure to be informed of them, and to do everything possible to be of help to you.

Most pleasant letters have come regarding the Summer Bible Conference in the Hills, speaking of the great help it has given. It is evident from these letters, that the profit of such a Conference will be sought in subsequent years.

I have a note this morning from Mr. Robert Wilder, written from Norway, in which he speaks of their expected sailing from Trieste for Bombay, on December 3rd, to take up his new work in India.

With warm regards, and praying earnestly for God's blessing upon you in all things, I am,

Your sincere friend,





November 13th, 1899.

The Rev. G. W. Seiler.  
Kollhapur.  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Seiler:-

Your letter of October 13th, asking in behalf of the native official, what the approximate cost of one thousand bushels of maize corn would be, including transportation to Bombay, was received last Thursday. I wrote at once to a friend of mine who is a produce commission merchant here in the city. He writes that quantities less than 100,000 bushels would probably have to go in shippers' bags, that the grain would cost 41 cents a bushel here, and that a very dry quality would have to be got to stand shipment to India. The freight would be about 35 shillings a ton, so that the corn would cost, he says, including cost, insurance and freight to Bombay, about 63 or 64 cents a bushel. This would be shelled maize, or, as we call it, Indian corn.

We had hoped that before the season for the rains was over you would get some rains in the Bombay Presidency, that would dispel the fear of famine. Apparently there will be suffering in many parts of India. Mr. Gilbertson writes from Lahore, of the drought and want there, and speaks of the thousands who have already gathered in on the relief works. I do hope that you may not have such a horrible time as you seem to have reason to fear. Our hearts go out to you in deep sympathy at this time.

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I hope you will keep us informed about the British political gentleman and his doings. It is helpful to know about things of this sort. Emergencies may some times arise when such knowledge is very valuable.

I note what you say with reference to the dearth of Mission paper. Some time ago reference was made to this scarcity, and I asked Mr. Hand to have a supply sent. Some has already gone to Mr. Wilson, or will be sent to him the first time a shipment is made to the Mission.

I want to acknowledge now also, your good letter of August 5th. I was glad to learn all the details of the work which you wrote. I trust the theological students passed good examinations, and may approve themselves as consecrated and simple-minded men. We are waiting now with much interest the receipt of the receipts from the Annual Meeting, and to get from them a full view of the work of the past year. It was very interesting to learn of the opportunities you have in connection with the Y. M. C. A. I hope there may be real fruit from this work, and that many of those young men may give their hearts to Christ. When one remembers all the difficulties in the way, - the persecution they will have to meet, he can understand how much of Divine power will be required to enable them to do this. The conversion of these young men is as truly an evidence of the miraculous work of God as the raising of the dead by our Lord eighteen hundred years ago.

I am sending you herewith, a copy of Dr. Pierson's Life of

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George Muller. Dr. Pierson very generously gave us a number of copies to send out to the missionaries. I think he would appreciate it if some time you could find leisure to drop him a note acknowledging the receipt of the book. His address is, 1127 Dean Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

I hope that you and Mrs. Seiler and the children are all quite well, and that all the members of our Mission circle may continue exempt from the touch of the plague. With kindest regards.

Very cordially yours,



December 11th, 1899.

The Rev. Galen W. Seiler,

Miraj, India.

My Dear Mr. Seiler:-

Your note of November 3rd, as Chairman of the Famine Relief Fund of the Mission, was received last Saturday, and the matter was presented to our Board at its meeting on Monday. I have pleasure in reporting the following action:

"The Treasurer was authorized to receive any funds which might be offered for Famine Relief in India, and to transmit the same to the field, and it was voted to appropriate from the balance of the Laos Famine Fund in the treasury, a sum of 1500 Rupees, and to cable the same to the Treasurer of the Western India Mission."

Long before this letter reaches you, you will have received Mr. Hand's cable. I trust the 1500 Rupees thus granted, taken in connection with the appropriations made for the two schoolsbuildings, may enable the Mission to do not a little in the way of wise relief to the destitute and suffering which you are confronting.

Mr. Abbot, of the American Board Mission, was in to see me the other day, and told me the latest news he had of the famine. He is hoping to be able to do something here to help. I had a talk the other evening with President Charles Cuthbert Hall, who goes out to deliver the Haskell Lectures in India next Winter, and he is hoping to issue a call for a public meeting soon, in the which the matter shall be presented, and an attempt made to secure contributions.

I hope that you may all continue well in the Mission circle.

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and that God may give you strength for the great trial that is upon you.

Very sincerely yours,

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With kind regards,

Your confidential man,

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Mrs. A. S. Wilson,  
Miraj, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mrs. Wilson:

I am ashamed when I think of the many, many weeks that have passed since I received your good letter, written last spring, from Mahableshwar. It was very full of interesting bit of news about the Mission -- I felt after reading it in a position to sympathize truly with almost every member of the Mission. You had in such a nice way given some little bit of information about each one, that enabled us to feel that we knew just what each one was about, and how each one was.

I hope that your stay at Mahableshwar did you all the good that you had hoped, and that the following months back at your station did not make you lose what you had gained.

We are all thinking of you very much these days, with the Plague and the Famine both at your doors. We are waiting anxiously for further word as to the famine conditions. The other morning I saw in one of the papers a telegram, stating that there were already more than two and a quarter million people engaged on the relief work. Since you finally gave up all hope of escaping the famine, and began to realize what was really before you, we have received very few letters from the Mission. Doubtless the next few mails will bring in more letters, and we shall understand more clearly all that you will have to face through the coming months.

The Mission will long before this have received your telegram

arranging the appropriation of 1500 rupees as a Famine Relief Fund. The cable message was sent to Wilson; Miraj, as the Cable Company declined to take it addressed to Wilson, Sangli. Of course it was intended for your brother-in-law, who is the Mission Treasurer.

Mr. Justin Abbott, of the American Board Mission in the Bombay Presidency, is now studying here at Union Seminary, and he kindly comes in from time to time and tells me what he hears about the conditions. It is dreadful to think of all the suffering and anguish through which the poor people about you must pass, and of all the drain upon pity and love that the constant sight of such suffering will mean to you. It will help you to understand better the trials of Christ. He saw people suffering physically, but even more clearly he saw their woful spiritual wants, and knowing what it meant, it must have been daily agony to Him to go out among men. Something of what filled His heart I think we see from such a scene as his weeping over Jerusalem, and His almost heart-broken cry -- "And ye will not come unto Me".

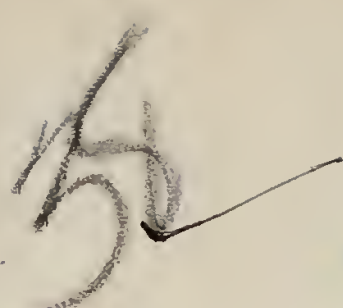
We shall pray for you, that these days may bring, with their daily burden, the daily measure of Divine strength, and that you may gain in these days access to human hearts which you might otherwise have been denied.

I hope that you and Dr. Wilson and little Arthur are all well, and that you may be kept in health and strength ever.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,





December 21st, 9

Mr. John Jolly,  
Sangli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Jolly:

Your kind letter of November 17th was received last week. Although I wrote to you only a little while ago, I must write again to thank you for your letter, and to tell you how grateful we all are that you and Mrs. Jolly are so well, and that there has been a steady improvement in your health. I hope it may continue and that you may both enjoy for long years perfect health, even in the trying conditions of life in India.

You will have heard long before this of the actions of the Board providing the money for the Boys' School building and the Girls' School building, and 1500 rupees extra for famine relief. This will help you to do something to aid the poor people who surround you on every side, and whom it must be daily suffering to have to look upon.

I noticed by a paper the other morning that there were now between two and three million people engaged on the relief work. With thirteen months of famine ahead, the outlook is simply appalling. I learned from Mrs. Kellogg, too, who got in yesterday, that the outlook in the North-west Provinces was as dark when she left as it was two years ago. We must hope that even if the famine cannot be stayed, at least India may learn the lesson that God intends to be learned from it, and that all this indescribable physical suffering may issue at least in some true, spiritual good. With kindest regards,

Very cordially your friend,

February 10th, 1900.

To the Western India Mission,

My Dear Friends:-

The Minutes and reports of the Mission Meeting have come, and the items requiring the action of the Board will be presented at its next meeting. I am writing now in advance with reference to one question which should be at once brought to your attention; namely, the return to India of Mrs. J. J. Hull. Many of you know Mrs. Hull intimately, and perhaps all the younger missionaries will know of her. She came back to America on account of her children, in 1891. She writes now that the way is clear for her return to India, that she is ready to go back to the work which she loves. She is now fifty years old, and although we have not as yet sought any medical certificate, she is sure that she will be able to meet the requirements of the score of health. Mr. Graham and Mrs. Ferris both write very approvingly of Mrs. Hull's return. Mr. Graham felt obliged to hesitate, however, when I laid before him the question as to whether the Mission would prefer Mrs. Hull's return to the appointment of some one of the ordained men asked for. The Mission's request is for six ordained men and for Miss Graham. Suppose it becomes financially a matter of choice between the appointment of Mrs. Hull and the appointment of some ordained man, and in such a case in view of the fact that Mrs. Hull is an old and experienced missionary, decide her return in preference to the appointment of a new

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ordained man? I am sorry to have to say that the prospect is not bright of obtaining all the ordained men asked for by the Missions. Mr. Graham took me to task in his pleasant way a little while ago for suggesting this, but it seems to me best to face frankly the real situation. There are about twenty Missions which would be glad to have three or four ordained men added to their number this year. The men who would be required to meet all these demands are not available, nor is the money with which to send them. We have even been slipping behind a little bit since the 1st of December. Unless there comes a great increase, the Missions will not be able to receive for their regular work the amount they desire, and a number of Missions have asked that in preference to being cut on their regular work, the number of new missionaries be reduced. Suppose that the Board is able to send only one new missionary to Western India this Fall, to take an extreme supposition, would the Mission prefer that this should be Mrs. Hull, or an ordained man? If two can be sent, would the Mission prefer two ordained men, or one ordained man and Mrs. Hull? Or, would the Mission desire to have Mrs. Hull regarded just as a returned missionary on furlough, to be sent back totally regardless of any reinforcements of new missionaries, even though this should in the view of the Board, make the appointment of any ordained man, or more ordained men than one or two impossible.

I am very sorry to have to report, as Mr. Simonson himself may possibly have written, that he has felt constrained to resign. Mr. Graham wrote, urging the Board not to accept his resignation, and when Mr. Simonson was here, just prior to the Board meeting, we urged



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in with all his strength to return, if it were at all possible. But his family reasons, however, and of course, his health, which he felt prepared to assume the responsibility he believed to be his duty to press his resignation, and the Board voted to accept it, although with reluctance and regret that he should not at this time see his way clear to return to the field. Mr. Timmonson is worried in some measure, by the feeling of his own family, which he thinks he ought to heed at present, but is swayed also by his consideration of his own health, in spite of the oculist's opinion; and also by modest self-depreciation. He is strongly of the hope that he may after a few years here return to the work in India. He is thinking now of taking up for a while, city mission work in New York City, acquiring the kind of experience which he feels will be valuable to him, and also measuring himself as to his ability in case he should return to India to stand the physical demands of life and work there.

With kindest regards, and hoping soon to be able to write to you at length, I am,

Very sincerely your friend,

Robert C. S.

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February 21st, 1900.

W. J. Wanless, F.D.,  
Miraj, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Dr. Wanless:

I must write to express the deepest sympathy of us all with you and Mrs. Wanless in the great loss which you have incurred, in the death of little Esther. Our hearts go out to you, as we think of the little graves in India that you have bowed over, and we thank God that in all these trials and afflictions you have had in Him and in His Son perfect comfort and peace. I do hope and pray that Mrs. Wanless has been given strength to bear this further sorrow, and that you may both be kept in health of body and rest of mind by Him who is able to keep.

I have been desiring to write for some time in answer to your two letters of November 18th and your letter of November 22nd. I have appreciated especially all the kindly personal notes in one of those letters, about the health of the Mission and its members. I am sorry to hear that Mr. Goheen is aging. After all these years of hard work, however, it is not to be wondered at. It only emphasizes the necessity of suitable reinforcements.

I am glad you approved of the action of the Board regarding health certificates.

It is pleasant to know also that both the Bubonic plague and the British resident who has been so unpopular are likely to disappear. Mrs. Ferris was telling me about Col. Wray several days ago,

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and speaking of the way the action of the Mission with reference to him, at its meeting a year ago, had in the end helped the Mission in its standing with the King and the people. The British Government is a very fine thing in India when it is represented by very fine men, and it can be a very evil and injurious thing otherwise.

We have given a good deal of heed to the matter presented in your other letter of November 18th regarding help in the Hospital. I received some time after your letter came a communication from a young Doctor in Chicago, whose father was an American Board missionary in Cholapur, in which he said he had heard from you and would like to go out under a temporary arrangement to work in the Hospital. But he proposed to go married, and on the regular missionary basis, and with the privilege of leaving after a few years, to join the American Board Mission if an opening should occur there. It did not seem feasible to go forward with the matter in this shape. The needs elsewhere, in some fields especially where medical missionaries have fallen out, and whose places have not been supplied, the general demand for reinforcements where the exigencies are more appealing even than at Miraj, the fact that Dr. Stewart can give you some help this year, and also that you may be able to get someone on the field -- all enter into the problem and make it very unlikely that it will be possible to send out a Doctor from America to help you in your heavy work. We can leave the estimate which the Mission has approved in the appropriations for the new year, but I am afraid that it will not be possible to increase the grant that the Western India Mission would otherwise receive by that amount. The receipts are coming in pretty well now, and we are hoping that we may close this year without any deficiency and be able to make generous appropriations for the new year, but if



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these hopes should be disappointed it may be that the appropriations for your Mission will render pretty careful pruning necessary, and force you to reconsider the plan of spending as much as 1600 Rupees on the employment of such a native physician as you contemplate. I notice that you are not clear in your own mind as to the possibility of finding a satisfactory man. I hope that if you cannot, and if you find the work piling up, that you will simply cut it down so as to bring it within your strength. It is more important that you should not kill yourself working than that you should, by the attempt to do everything that there is to be done, succeed in that attempt for a little while, and then find yourself unable wholly to go on to do anything more.

Mr. Hand tells me that he has not received the report of the Auditing Committee, regarding the Hospital receipts. You will remember that you wrote some time ago regarding the matter, and that I replied that we had not then received the Committee's report. The Mission Minutes indicate that a copy of the report was to be sent to Mr. Hand so that we might take up the questions involved, but as yet he tells me he has not got it. We shall simply have to wait accordingly until this report comes.

I thank you very much for your confidential letter of Nov. 22nd. It simply confirmed the suspicions I had already formed. I am glad to know so much more of the real situation of the Settlement project. The young women seem to be good women, and it is pleasant to read such nice things regarding them in the Mission letters. I do hope that this work may develop beyond the expectations of the Mission and very much beyond its fears, and prove to be a really useful work.

Of Mr. Simonson's resignation I have already written. I can

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understand the regret that it will occasion you, and yet possibly a little longer stay in this country given to work here, will enable Mr. Simonson to go back in due time to do an even better work in India than he could have done if he had gone back immediately.

With warm regards,

Ever your friend,

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The Western India Mission was a liberal church, the Mission House, less Bungalow when not required by members of the Mission, the property to be turned into the Mission Treasury, and the proceeds of the sale sent toward furnishing the Bungalow, etc., to be provided for a mission. It is requested with particular attention of the proposed alterations.





the Board of Directors.

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As to the new Station at Vengurle, I quote from the Board's Minutes the following action:

The Western India Mission was authorized to accept Vengurle as a Mission Station if deemed advisable, but the Board regretted that it was unable to commit itself to an expenditure upon property or any appointment of new missionaries to the Mission beyond what it would otherwise have been able to provide.

I hope that we are now on the rising tide, and that the gifts of the churches will steadily increase, although any prophecy along this line is dangerous. If, however, we can look forward to contributions that will increase for some brief period of years, then I hope we may anticipate also a considerable expansion of our missionary work. In any event, we shall hope to have some new men sent out to India this year, though perhaps not as many to all the Missions as have been asked for in Western India alone. But whatever can be done for you <sup>it</sup> will be done, and with a larger number of men, will be easier to carry on the existing work and also plan for new work in the Stations.

The request of the Mission for 400 Rupees additional to what has already been granted for the Ganoli Boys' School, was laid before the Board, and I quote the following Minute from the Board's records.

The Western India Mission having requested permission to have the Friends in America, 400 Rupees, in addition to the 1000 Rupees already authorized, for the Boys' School built near Ganoli, it was

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I am sorry that the Board did not receive as much as it wanted for its efforts to make the 1000 Rupees asked for by the Mission, which is a small amount for the 1000 Rupees asked for by the missionaries. I am sure that the Board will be able to secure this amount; and that, if such efforts are made in the gift of 400 Rupees more than the 1000 Rupees asked for, the Board will probably approve the application of that amount to the Board School.

If there is anything to be added to what has been said with reference to this need, that might lead the Board to reopen the question, I hope that some member of the Mission will write it.

I would say with reference to the Miraj estimates and the statement of the Auditing Committee thereupon, that neither the statement originally sent, nor the one which Mr. Wilson in his letter of December 10th states has recently been sent to Mr. Hand, has been received. Whenever the statement in question comes, the matter will be taken up promptly.

I fear that the Mission's resolution regarding co-operation in the Konkani, with some other Society, may not accomplish all that you wish. All the Mission Boards of which I know in America, are burdened to carry on their present work or work in immediate connection with their present fields, without branching out into new districts. If each one of the more than seven hundred missionaries of the Presbyterian Church, could write home to ten friends, and get each friend to give ten dollars as an additional gift to the cause of Foreign Missions, the total would be \$70,000, and would make possible the establishment of ten or fifteen new Stations. If each one could write to one hundred friends, and secure an extra contribution of ten dollars, \$70,000 would be added to the Mission Treasury, and we could reach



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double our present work, perhaps we could double the number of people. How simple these calculations are, and how futile!

I note with interest the actions looking toward increased salaries for some classes of native workers. This is the direction in which it is never difficult to move. I wonder if there has ever been a case in the history of Missions of a movement in the reverse direction? I do not mean to suggest a criticism of the Mission's plan. We sympathize with you sincerely in what are the acute difficulties in connection with such questions as these.

With reference to the Mission's action regarding furloughs taken in connection with the Board's action thereon, I would say that the Central China Mission has replied substantially as you have, that this is a question which the Mission prefers to leave to each individual. The answer returned to the Central China Mission was as follows:

With reference to the action of the Mission regarding the regulations about furloughs, the action of the Board was as follows:

The Central China Mission having expressed its objection to assuming the responsibilities in the matter of determining the time of furloughs devolved upon the Missions by the action of the Board regarding furloughs, of March 6th, 1899, it was voted to reply that the Board could not but feel that the responsibility in question was one that the Missions should bear, and that the reception of the action of March 6th, 1899, in question, by the Missions generally, confirmed this feeling.

The action of the Mission Meeting uses language which would seem to imply that the Board lays on the Mission only "the responsibility of extending the term of service in the case of those whose health is approvingly good," but the regulations were intended to lay upon the Missions the other responsibility also, of advising the return at the proper period of those who think they are able to continue, but who, in the Mission's judgment, are in need of a proper rest. The regulations in question were suggested by some of the Missions in China, and I think the Missions as a whole heartily approve of the principle of assigning to them larger responsibility. The responsibility of extending the term of service of those who are in need of furlough, is usually correlative to the responsibility of recommending before the expiration of their term of service those who are entitled

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condition of those health being. The continued stay important or even dangerous.

The great majority of the Missions have recognized that the responsibility devolved upon them by these new rules, was a responsibility which they ought justly to bear. Indeed, the whole matter came originally from some of the Missions in north China, which felt that the interests of the work were such as to justify the Mission in asking from the Board that authority over the movement of its individual members as seemed to the Mission essential and best to the continuance and just prosecution of the work.

The requests for new property from all the Missions are now under consideration, and the results of the study of the estimates for Class VIII, will be embodied in the appropriations for the coming year.

With reference to the Mission's inquiry as to whether Paragraph 67 of the Manual requests the Auditing Committee to report to the Board or to the Mission, and if the latter, whether the Mission can amend said report, I would say that the Auditing Committee is understood to be a Committee of the Mission in just the same sense that other Committees are Committees of the Mission. It is appointed by the Mission, and it is proper that it should report to the Mission, its report, of course, to be forwarded to the Board. I think in many cases the Minutes of the Mission Meetings show presentation of the Auditing Committee's report.

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Paragraph 68 expressly speaks of the Auditing Committee as "the Committee of the Mission." And Paragraph 70 states that "the general

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control of these funds (that is the fund which has been placed in the Mission Treasurer) is entrusted to the Mission; so that it is assumed here that the Mission approval is back of any approval of the Auditing Committee forwarded to the Treasurer of the Board.

The specification of the Mission with reference to the estimate of 1800 Rupees for a native doctor, is noted. I am not sure that it will be possible to add that amount to the amount that the Mission would otherwise receive. To do so would require its subtraction from the funds available for other Missions, and perhaps needed by them to enable them to receive proportionately as much as the Western India Mission would receive without the addition of this 1800 Rupees as an extra. We shall hope, however, that the appropriations for the new year can be made out on a basis that will not pinch and curtail the work.

\$150. for the surgical outfit of Dr. Wilson will be added and included in the appropriations for the coming year. We shall hope that Dr. Wilson's removal to Kodoli will mean the beginning of a helpful and fruitful work there.

We have been rather surprised that so little has come from the Mission regarding the Famine. Apparently the worst areas are north of you, nearer Bombay, and especially in Gujerat. The CONGREGATIONALIST has opened a fund, by which more than \$10,000 were received in the first two or three weeks. Mr. Hand continues to receive gifts which he has forwarded from time to time. I hope you will keep us informed as to the conditions in your field. Constant inquiries



Thank you for the 15th of June, 1896.

One of the things we are all so anxious about, and there is doubtless that people who would be glad to give for one such object will turn elsewhere. Our hearts go out to you in great sympathies as you pass through these times of heavy trial, and live in the midst of such anguish and suffering.

Praying that you may be Divinely guided through it all, and be upheld by Him whose heart is more drawn out in sympathy toward the world than any man ever be, I am,

Your sincere friend,

A handwritten signature, possibly "R. L. ...", in dark ink, located below the typed name "Your sincere friend,".

Miss Alice L. Giles,

Miraj, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Giles:-

I enclose herewith a check for \$100.00, covering that amount sent us by Mr. Hurlburt, which was forwarded to you to be spent in connection with the work. He writes that \$2.50 of the amount came from Miss Belle of the Florence Crittenden Home in Harrisburg, and 1.00 from Mrs. Nixon, of Clyde, Ohio. He said that the money had come from the publication of one or two letters from him in the paper. We are receiving quite a good deal of money for the work, and shall be sending some out to India Missions very shortly.

I want to thank you for your good letter of December 15th, also for your kind postal card of December 25th. I received a good part of your letter, but when I saw that it was too long for my sons to see it, I gave it to her, and she is going to read a little of it, I believe, in WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMEN. It was an interesting letter, and I enjoyed very much reading it. I am glad that God's Spirit is keeping and filling your heart and your commitment company. It was good to read in the Minutes of the Mission Meeting, such a sensible plan as had been suggested and incorporated there. I know that while you are waiting for the action of the Board in deferring the present plan, you are





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customed to them that they almost always have a good deal of trouble of them. I wish you could visit such a good many of the needs as you have written about the religious situation in the large districts. I am sure you would find a great deal of trouble by Mr. Hurlburt for his little paper. I am sure it would be quite a long letter about it, and I am sure it would be a good missionary service.

We think very much of you, and we are sure that the spirit of harmony which has characterized it for so long, we are sure will characterize it always. It is a good thing where our Lord's Spirit is, there will be no art, no anxiety and distress and friction.

With warm regards to all your associates.

Your sincere friend,

7-10-10 - E. J. Dyer

The Women's Order has been sent to  
Mr. Hurlburt for his use

April 3rd, 1900.

To the

WESTERN INDIA MISSION--

My dear friends:

I have pleasure in enclosing herewith the appropriations for the fiscal year 1900-1901. They provide all the money needed for Classes I and II. The omission from the appropriation sheets as sent of the items for the travelling expenses of Miss Miner and Miss Jefferson, does not indicate that the money for their return is not provided, but merely that those appropriations having been made in the fiscal year 1899-1900, they are continued on Mr. Hand's books for the ensuing year and not duplicated on these appropriations.

In Classes IV. to X., excluding Class VIII., the Mission receives the same amount that it received at the beginning of last year, namely, 21,611 rupees, plus an increase of 1,296 rupees. It is a pleasure to be able to report such a substantial increase. I only wish that it might be larger. It is possible that a supplementary grant may be added later, as was done last year, but this uncertain and it would be inexpedient to count upon it securely.

I am very sorry that it has not been possible to grant anything for new property. The appropriations made last fall, however, doubtless met the more urgent needs, and it is possible that later in the year something may be added to the appropriations that will provide for the more urgent new properties in the missions which could not be provided for at the present time.

I have been looking through the estimate sheets with

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to ascertaining the amount included by the Mission in the third column in various classes. You would be interested in taking the estimate sheets of all the Stations and looking them through with this in view. In Class V., for example, the Mission asks for more than 13,400 rupees for educational work, and of this amount 45 rupees is to be raised on the field. Can it be that that is all that the people themselves can be induced to provide for the expenses of this great and beneficent agency established in their behalf? I notice that in Class VI. of the Miraj estimates, nothing is included in the third column, supposed to give the amount to be raised on the field in connection with the Hospital. It may be that if the report of the Auditing Committee, regarding which there has been some correspondence, should reach us, the reason for the omission of any items in the third column would be set forth. If you will look at the estimate sheets, however, you will see that the Mission is asked to enter in columns one and two the total amount that the Mission expects to spend during the fiscal year estimated for. Then in the third column, those amounts are to be entered which are to be provided on the field. And in the fourth column, the difference between the sum of the first and second columns, and the total amount entered in the third column. Anyone looking at the estimate sheet for Miraj, as it lies before me now, and reading the instructions at the end of the page, would conclude that not an anna was raised on the field toward the expenses of the medical work.

I have very much pleasure in reporting the appointment of Mr. Alexander S. Marshall and Miss Harriet T. Montgomery, to whom he is engaged to be married, and their assignment to the Western India Mission. Mr. Marshall is a graduate of York College, Nebraska, and



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is now finishing his course in Princeton Seminary. I would also report the appointment of Miss Isabelle Graham, and her assignment to Western India. Miss Graham you know, and it is not necessary that I should say anything in commendation of her. Her own fine abilities and rare Christian spirit are her sufficient commendation.

Some time ago the Lodiana Mission asked the Board to consider the question of sending out an industrial missionary to work in connection with the Saharanpur Station. The Board did not feel that it could undertake to do this, but suggested to the Mission the expediency of corresponding with Western India, so that if at any time it should seem better for Mr. and Mrs. Jolly to remove to some other part of India, in the hope that they might enjoy better health there, than they have had in the Western India Mission, they might take into consideration the opening at Saharanpur. The Board's experience with industrial work has not been altogether encouraging, and before going further in it in India, it would prefer to await the results of the experiment at Sangli, and is the more anxious on this account, that Mr. Jolly might so far recover his health and strength as to carry out the plans of the industrial work in connection with the Boys' Boarding School.

The appropriation checks for the Village Settlement are made out in accordance with the estimates submitted, Miss Wilder's salary being included with the others, and the \$240 thus saved being inserted in Class VII., in accordance with the original action of the Board regarding the Settlement.

We hear with great concern of Miss Wilder's serious illness, although no word has as yet come from the Mission regarding it, and we shall hope that the reports that have come to us are exaggerated.

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and that she will soon be quite herself again.

We shall be looking forward with great pleasure to welcoming home the missionaries whom this year will return on furlough. We are hoping that they may have a safe and pleasant voyage, and can assure them of a loving welcome to the homeland.

Some time ago the question arose as to the relations different Missions should sustain to one another in the matter of the exceptional furlough arrangements. Some missionaries, as you know, are able to leave their field and return at such seasons as to require only twelve months in the United States, while others, in order to secure a full year in the United States, have to leave and return at seasons which oblige them to spend more than twelve months at home. The question was as to whether missionaries from the latter fields, when they come at a season that enabled them to return to the field at the expiration of twelve months, were entitled to a longer home allowance than missionaries from the former fields. The matter was presented to the Board, and the following action was taken:

"It was voted that, save when the return of missionaries on furlough at the exceptional seasons authorized in the action of the Board on March 6th, 1890, necessitates a furlough of more than twelve months, the home allowance shall not exceed the amount for one year, except in accordance with Paragraph 13 of the Manual, as amended.

This makes clear the general principle that missionaries from Canton, for example, who are entitled to fourteen or fifteen months' home allowance when they come in the spring and return in the fall, are not entitled when they come in the fall, to a home allowance two or three months longer than that to which the returning missionaries are entitled, who regularly come and go in the fall. The same allowance arrangement was made with a view to securing the mission, all year at home; the extra months were added in the home allowance

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missionaries, not because more than a full year was necessary, but because the extra months were required in order to make a full year possible.

Mr. Hand has sent out to the Treasurer of the Mission an inconsiderable amount of money received for famine relief. Altogether there has come to him not far from \$15,000. A great deal of this money has come in in answer to Miss Wilder's letters, showing how much can be done by wise and skillful correspondence. Of course all the money sent in in response to Miss Wilder's appeals has been forwarded to the Western India Mission, together with a large share of the contributions sent in in answer to other appeals. Thus far we have received almost nothing from the Mission regarding the famine. One or two letters have come and Dr. Wanless has sent a short but effective statement. It would be a great help, however, in interesting people, and in continuing the interest of those who are already concerned, if occasionally someone could write, regarding the matter, for the moment of writing, at least, imagining himself or herself in the position of the home Christian, totally ignorant of what has become so commonplace to you, that you do not think of mentioning it as of interest.

The delegates are already gathering to attend the Jerusalem Conference, and throughout the whole Christian world there seems to be a spirit of prayer and anticipation with reference to it. Let us all join in earnest supplication that it may lead to a deepening of the missionary interest of the churches, and to a serious effort on the part of the Church to overtake its solemn responsibilities toward the world, and to meet, in some adequate way, its unprecedented opportunities for the evangelization of the whole world.

Praying that the coming year may be the best year in history of your work, and with warmest regards, I am, as ever,

Yours



APPROPRIATIONS FOR WESTERN INDIA MISSION.  
1900-1901.

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CLASS I? MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES:

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Rev. G. W. Seiler,           | \$1080.00      |
| Rev. J. M. Goheen,           | 1080.00        |
| Mrs. G. H. Ferris, (7 mos.)  | 379.17         |
| Miss Esther Patton, (7 mos.) | 315.00         |
|                              | <u>2854.17</u> |

CHILDREN:

|                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Mr. Seiler, (2) | 200.00        |
| Mr. Goheen, (1) | 100.00        |
|                 | <u>300.00</u> |

\$ 3154.17

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

HOME ALLOWANCE:

|                             |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Mrs. G. H. Ferris, (4 mos.) | \$ 150.00     |
| Miss E. Patton, (4 mos.)    | 150.00        |
|                             | <u>300.00</u> |

CHILDREN:

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Mr. Seiler, (3) | 422.50         |
| Mr. Goheen, (3) | 450.00         |
| Mrs. Ferris (1) | 133.33         |
|                 | <u>1005.83</u> |

FREIGHT:

|              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| Mrs. Ferris, | 40.00        |
| Miss Patton, | 40.00        |
|              | <u>80.00</u> |

TRAVEL:

|              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| Mrs. Ferris, | 275.00        |
| Miss Patton, | 275.00        |
| John Seiler, | 550.00        |
|              | <u>462.00</u> |

Rs.

\$ 1005.83  
Rs. 462.

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Punabai G. Ishmael, | Rupees.    |
| Radhabai P. Zadhud, | 84.        |
|                     | <u>84.</u> |
|                     | 168.       |

OTHER HELPERS:

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Sidraniji P. Zadhud, | 136. |
|----------------------|------|

ITINERATING:

|       |      |
|-------|------|
| Tent, | 500. |
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Rupees.  
800.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

Rupees.

## Girls' School.

|                    |              |  |
|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Anandaras Luxmon,  | 210.         |  |
| Mr. Sangliker,     | 180.         |  |
| Krishna Pandit,    | 144.         |  |
| Harmahbai,         | 72.          |  |
| Pupil Teachers,    | 72.          |  |
| Incidentals,       | 150.         |  |
| Board, etc.,       | 1763.        |  |
| Watchman,          | <u>1434.</u> |  |
|                    | 4025.        |  |
| Receipts on field, | <u>25.</u>   |  |
|                    | 4000.        |  |

## DAY SCHOOLS:

## Shukravar School.

|                           |            |  |
|---------------------------|------------|--|
| Vithoba Hazare,           | 150.       |  |
| Balwant Fadnis,           | 96.        |  |
| Furniture, Cleaning, etc. | <u>15.</u> |  |
|                           | 261.       |  |

## New Budhvar School.

|                          |            |  |
|--------------------------|------------|--|
| Teacher to be appointed, | 60.        |  |
| Woman to bring girls,    | 24.        |  |
| Prizes, furniture, etc.  | <u>25.</u> |  |
|                          | 109.       |  |

## Aditawar Girls' School.

|                          |            |  |
|--------------------------|------------|--|
| Teacher to be appointed, | 84.        |  |
| Woman to bring girls,    | 36.        |  |
| Prizes, furniture, etc.  | <u>35.</u> |  |
|                          | 155.       |  |

## Mangalwar School.

|                         |            |      |
|-------------------------|------------|------|
| Sanshalcher Talpati,    |            | 270. |
| Sonwar School.          |            |      |
| Santabai B. Hazari,     | 84.        |      |
| One other Teacher,      | 60.        |      |
| Woman to bring girls,   | 36.        |      |
| Prizes, furniture, etc. | <u>35.</u> |      |
|                         | 215.       |      |

## Mahar Wada School.

|                           |            |  |
|---------------------------|------------|--|
| Dayanoba Appaji,          | 218.       |  |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc. | <u>15.</u> |  |
|                           | 233.       |  |

## Merla School.

|                           |            |  |
|---------------------------|------------|--|
| Tukaram Ranji,            | 252.       |  |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc. | <u>30.</u> |  |
|                           | 282.       |  |

## Halundi School.

|                           |            |  |
|---------------------------|------------|--|
| Sugandha Malukaya,        | 175.       |  |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc. | <u>15.</u> |  |
|                           | 190.       |  |

## Kini School.

|                          |      |  |
|--------------------------|------|--|
| Teacher to be appointed, | 126. |  |
|                          | 126. |  |
| Mazagaon School.         | 150. |  |

Rupees.  
5991.

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## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

| RENTS:                | Rupees.     |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| School Houses.        |             |
| New Budhvar,          | 4.          |
| Somvar,               | 36.         |
| Zini,                 | 36.         |
|                       | <u>76.</u>  |
| Receipts on field,    | 60.         |
|                       | <u>16.</u>  |
| TAXES:                |             |
| Missionary Dwellings. | 31.         |
| Water,                | 24.         |
| House in Adhayan,     | 6.          |
| " " Herla,            | 2.          |
|                       | <u>63.</u>  |
| REPAIRS:              |             |
| Missionary Dwellings, | 200.        |
| Other buildings,      | 250.        |
|                       | <u>450.</u> |

Rupees.  
529.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| MISSION MEETINGS:     |     |
| Expenses,             | 75. |
| BOOKS & PRINTING:     | 10. |
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE: | 30. |

115.

SUMMARY.

|            | GOLD.             | RUPEES.      |
|------------|-------------------|--------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 3154/17        |              |
| CLASS II.  | 1925.83           |              |
|            | Rs. 462.          |              |
| CLASS IV.  |                   | 606.         |
| CLASS V.   |                   | 5391.        |
| CLASS VII. |                   | 529.         |
| CLASS IX.  |                   | 115.         |
| TOTAL.     | <u>\$ 5070.00</u> | <u>7441.</u> |
|            | R. 462.           |              |



## APPROPRIATIONS FOR RATNIGIRI.

1900-1901.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                                 |                |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Rev. W. H. Hannum,              | \$ 1080.00     |
| Rev. A. L. Wiley,               | 1080.00        |
| Mitt E. T. Minor, (11 mos.)     | 495.00         |
| Miss A. M. Jefferson, (11 mos.) | 495.00         |
| Miss V. McArthur, M. D.,        | 540.00         |
|                                 | <u>3690.00</u> |

## CHILDREN:

|                 |        |            |
|-----------------|--------|------------|
| Mr. Hannum, (2) | 200.00 | \$ 3690.00 |
|-----------------|--------|------------|

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD NOT.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

|                   |           |           |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Rev. J. M. Irwin, | \$ 900.00 | \$ 900.00 |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| One to be appointed, | Rupees. 36. |
|----------------------|-------------|

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Govindras S. Malap,            | 252.        |
| Preacher, Ratnigiri, Vengurla, | <u>219.</u> |
|                                | 471.        |

## ITINERATING:

|      |              |
|------|--------------|
| 250. | Rupees. 817. |
|------|--------------|

## CLASS V. EDUCATION:

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Station School.            |             |
| Ranchandra Jinghade,       | 166.        |
| Other expenses,            | 50.         |
| School at Vengurla, to be, | <u>230.</u> |
|                            | 486.        |

## THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES:

|            |     |      |
|------------|-----|------|
| Traveling, | 25. | 491. |
|------------|-----|------|

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

## ASSISTANTS:

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| One servant, | 60. |
|--------------|-----|

## MEDICINES:

|                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| For Dr. McArthur, | 500. |
|-------------------|------|

## EXPENSES:

|                                |     |      |
|--------------------------------|-----|------|
| Rent of a room for dispensary, | 60. | 620. |
|--------------------------------|-----|------|

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## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

|          |                              |             |
|----------|------------------------------|-------------|
| RENTS:   |                              | Rupees.     |
|          | Dwelling at Ratnigiri,       | 360.        |
|          | " " Wengurla,                | 360.        |
|          | Preaching Room "             | 48.         |
|          |                              | <u>768.</u> |
| TAXES:   |                              |             |
|          | Mission Bungalow, Ratnigiri, | 13.         |
| REPAIRS: | Mission Bungalow,            | 150.        |

Rupees.  
931.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                       |                       |             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| MISSION MEETINGS:     |                       |             |
|                       | Traveling, etc.,      | 200.        |
| BOOKS & PRINTING:     |                       | 25.         |
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE: |                       | 20.         |
| SANITARIUM:           |                       | 200.        |
| MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:    |                       |             |
|                       | At Wengurla,          | 100.        |
| PERSONAL TEACHERS:    |                       |             |
|                       | Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, & |             |
|                       | Dr. McArthur,         | 225.        |
|                       |                       | <u>770.</u> |
|                       | Receipts on field,    | 50.         |
|                       |                       | <u>720.</u> |

720.

SUMMARY.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES.     |
|------------|------------|-------------|
| Class, I.  | \$ 3890.00 |             |
| Class II.  | 900.00     |             |
| Class IV.  |            | 817.        |
| Class V.   |            | 491.        |
| Class VI.  |            | 620.        |
| Class VII. |            | 931.        |
| Class IX.  |            | <u>720.</u> |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 4790.00 | 3579.       |

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR PANHALA.

1900-1901.  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                               |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Rev. L. B. Tedford, (11 mos.) | \$ 990.00      |
| Miss A. L. Brown,             | 540.00         |
| A. S. Wilson, M. D.,          | <u>1080.00</u> |
|                               | 2610.00        |

## CHILDREN:

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Dr. Wilson, (1) | 100.00 |
|-----------------|--------|

\$ 2710.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## CHILDREN:

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Mr. Tedford, (1) | \$ 100.00 |
|------------------|-----------|

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Mr. Tedford, | Rs. 1848.00 |
|--------------|-------------|

\$ 100.00  
Rs. 1848.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC:

## ITINERATING:

For the Station,

|             |
|-------------|
| Rupees.     |
| <u>200.</u> |

Rupees.  
200.

## CLASS IV. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Kodoli Boys' School.

|          |      |
|----------|------|
| Teacher, | 192. |
|----------|------|

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Other expenses, | <u>12.</u> |
|-----------------|------------|

304.

Kodoli Mahar Girls' School.

|          |     |
|----------|-----|
| Teacher, | 66. |
|----------|-----|

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Pupil Teacher, | 24. |
|----------------|-----|

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Woman to bring girls, | 24. |
|-----------------------|-----|

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Other expenses, | <u>24.</u> |
|-----------------|------------|

138.

Kodoli Mang Girls' School.

|          |     |
|----------|-----|
| Teacher, | 66. |
|----------|-----|

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Pupil teachers, | 24. |
|-----------------|-----|

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Women to bring girls, | 24. |
|-----------------------|-----|

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Other expenses, | <u>24.</u> |
|-----------------|------------|

138.

Ayataradi Boys' School,

|          |      |
|----------|------|
| Teacher, | 215. |
|----------|------|

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Other expenses, | <u>12.</u> |
|-----------------|------------|

227.

Kuralap Boys' School.

|          |      |
|----------|------|
| Teacher, | 161. |
|----------|------|

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Other expenses, | <u>12.</u> |
|-----------------|------------|



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## CLASS V. Continued, Rupees.

|                |                        |            |
|----------------|------------------------|------------|
| DAY SCHOOLS: - | Brought forward,       | 880.       |
|                | Borepali Boys' School. |            |
|                | Teacher,               | 174.       |
|                | Other expenses,        | <u>12.</u> |
|                |                        | 186.       |
|                | Mali Boys' School.     |            |
|                | Teacher,               | 144.       |
|                | Other expenses,        | <u>12.</u> |
|                |                        | 156.       |

Rupees.  
1222.

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS.

|             |                                 |            |
|-------------|---------------------------------|------------|
| ASSISTANTS: |                                 |            |
|             | Dispensary Compounder,          | 150.       |
|             | Servant,                        | <u>72.</u> |
|             |                                 | 222.       |
| MEDICINES:  |                                 |            |
|             | Medicines, etc.                 | 1600.      |
| EXPENSES:   | Surgical Outfit, Dr. Wilson, \$ | 150.       |
|             |                                 | 55.        |

\$ 150.  
1777.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

|             |  |            |
|-------------|--|------------|
| RENTS:      |  |            |
|             | Borepali School house,                         | 18.        |
|             | Mali " "                                       | 20.        |
|             | Kodoli " "                                     | <u>24.</u> |
|             |  | 62.        |
| TAXES:      |  | 17.        |
| REPAIRS:    |  | 450.       |
| CARETAKERS: |  |            |
|             | Care of Panhala Buildings,<br>when unoccupied, | 46.        |

577.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| MISSION MEETINGS: | 125. |
| BOOKS & PRINTING: | 15.  |
| POSTAGE:          | 20.  |

160.

SUMMARY.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPPEES. |
|------------|------------|----------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 2710.00 |          |
| CLASS II.  | 100.00     |          |
|            | Rs.1848.   |          |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 200.     |
| CLASS V.   |            | 12221    |
| CLASS VI.  |            | \$ 1777. |
|            |            | \$ 150.  |
| CLASS VII. |            | 577.     |
| CLASS IX.  |            | 160.     |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 2810.00 |          |
|            | Rs.1848.   | 3956.    |
|            |            | \$ 150.  |

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR SANGLI.

1900-1901.  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                             |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Rev. J. P. Graham, (7 mos.) | \$ 630.00     |
| Rev. E. M. Wilson,          | 1080.00       |
| Rev. J. Jolly,              | 1080.00       |
|                             | <hr/> 2790.00 |

## CHILDREN:

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Mr. Jolly, (2)  | 200.00       |
| Mr. Wilson, (2) | 200.00       |
|                 | <hr/> 400.00 |

\$ 3190.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Rev. J. P. Graham, (4 Mos. ) | \$ 300.00 |
|------------------------------|-----------|

## CHILDREN:

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Mr. Jolly, (3)            | 450.00       |
| Mr. Graham, (1 - 12 mos.) | 133.33       |
| (1 - 9 1/2 mos.)          | 102.08       |
|                           | <hr/> 685.41 |

## TRAVEL:

|             |        |
|-------------|--------|
| Mr. Graham, | 550.00 |
|-------------|--------|

## FREIGHT:

|             |       |
|-------------|-------|
| Mr. Graham, | 80.00 |
|-------------|-------|

\$ 1615.41

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|          | Rupees. |
|----------|---------|
| Dayabai, | 100.    |

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| One to be appointed, | 100. |
|----------------------|------|

## ITINERATING:

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| For the Station, | 125. |
|------------------|------|

Rupees.  
325.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Teachers.               |             |
| Appa Miraji,            | 120.        |
| Khandoba Padghelmal,    | 240.        |
| B. Ugare,               | 144.        |
| Two to be appointed,    | 204.        |
| Ramchandra Clinchlikar, | 168.        |
| Boarding 80 pupils,     | 3400.       |
| Industrial Depot.       | 1200.       |
|                         | <hr/> 5536. |
| Receipts on the field,  | 20.         |
|                         | <hr/> 5516. |



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CLASS V. Continued,  
Brought forward, Rupees.  
5518.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Girls' School in town, | 60.         |
| Boys' " " "            | 98.         |
|                        | <u>158.</u> |

Rupees.  
5672.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Two School Houses, | 38.        |
| Receipts on field, | <u>36.</u> |

## TAXES:

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Mount Douglas,    | 95.        |
| Sangli Buildings, | 2.         |
| " Compound,       | <u>27.</u> |
|                   | 124.       |

## REPAIRS:

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Sangli Buildings, | 200.        |
| " Dwellings,      | 150.        |
| Mt. Douglas,      | 75.         |
| " Repairing road, | <u>100.</u> |
|                   | 525.        |

## ATTENDANTS:

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| Mt. Douglas, | 219. |
|--------------|------|

668.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Travel of six missionaries, | 90. |
|-----------------------------|-----|

## BOOKS &amp; PRINTING:

25.

## STATIONERY &amp; POSTAGE:

75.

## SANITARIUMS: For the Mission,

1800.

## PERSONAL TEACHERS:

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Mr. Jolly and Mrs. Jolly, | 150.       |
| Mr. Wilson,               | <u>25.</u> |
|                           | 175.       |

## TRANSFER &amp; TRAVEL:

|   |      |
|---|------|
| For all the Mission, and<br>expenses of Committees, | 250. |
|---|------|

2415.

SUMMARY.

|             | GOLD.   | RUPEES. |
|-------------|---------|---------|
| CLASS I. \$ | 3190.00 |         |
| CLASS II.   | 1615.41 |         |
| CLASS IV:   |         | 325.    |
| CLASS V.    |         | 5672.   |
| CLASS VI.   |         | 868.    |
| CLASS IX.   |         | 2415.   |
| TOTAL.      | 4805.41 | 9280.   |

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR MIRAJ.

1900-1901.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Dr. W. J. Wanless, | \$ 1000.00     |
| Miss E. E. Foster, | 840.00         |
|                    | <u>1820.00</u> |

## CHILDREN:

|                  |        |            |
|------------------|--------|------------|
| Dr. Wanless, (2) | 200.00 | \$ 1820.00 |
|------------------|--------|------------|

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
|                      | Rupees.     |
| Sonabai Thakin,      | 24.         |
| One to be appointed, | 84.         |
|                      | <u>108.</u> |

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Local Evangelist,  |      |
| Basantsing Thakin, | 250. |

## ITINERATING:

200.

|         |
|---------|
| Rupees. |
| 558.    |

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Girls' School.           |            |
| Teacher, Sara Bhicaji,   | 48.        |
| Woman to bring girls,    | 24.        |
|                          | <u>72.</u> |
| Boys' School.            |            |
| Teacher to be appointed, | 50.        |

122.

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

## ASSISTANTS:

|                          |             |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Vithalran Ohol,          | 240.        |
| Irabhakai Tatpati,       | 240.        |
| Two Dispensary Servants, | 120.        |
|                          | <u>600.</u> |

## MEDICINES:

|                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| Two Dispensaries, | 600. |
|-------------------|------|

## EXPENSES:

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
| Rent, 2 Dispensary Bldgs. | 120. |
|---------------------------|------|

1320.

## ASSISTANTS:

|                         |       |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Asst. Physician, to be, | 1800. |
| Hospital Asst.          | 300.  |
| Head Compounder,        | 360.  |
| Asst. "                 | 120.  |

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| CLASS VI. Continued.          |  | Rupees.     |                  |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------|------------------|
| ASSISTANTS - Brought forward, |  | 2580.       | 1320.            |
| Nurse,                        |  | 180.        |                  |
| Two Pupil Nurses, to be,      |  | 150.        |                  |
| Three Ward Servants,          |  | 240.        |                  |
| Watchman,                     |  | 96.         |                  |
| Dispensary Servant,           |  | 72.         |                  |
| Hospital Cook,                |  | 72.         |                  |
| Two Attendants, one new,      |  | 144.        |                  |
| Medical Class,                |  | 680.        |                  |
| Clerk, - to be appointed,     |  | <u>872.</u> |                  |
|                               |  |             | 4228.            |
| MEDICINES:                    |  | 2500.       | 2500.            |
| EXPENSES:                     |  |             |                  |
| Taxes,                        |  | 50.         |                  |
| Lights & heating,             |  | 200.        |                  |
| Books & Printing,             |  | 50.         |                  |
| Stationery & Postage,         |  | <u>20.</u>  |                  |
|                               |  | 320.        | <u>320.</u>      |
|                               |  |             | Rupees.<br>8366. |
| CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.   |  |             |                  |
| REPAIRS:                      |  |             |                  |
| Hospital & Two Dwellings,     |  | 400.        |                  |
|                               |  |             | 400.             |

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                                   |      |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|------|
| MISSION MEETINGS:                 | 75.  |      |
| BOOKS & PRINTING:                 | 25.  |      |
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE:             | 30.  |      |
| PERSONAL TEACHERS: - Miss Foster, | 100. |      |
|                                   |      | 230. |

SUMMARY.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES.     |
|------------|------------|-------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 1620.00 |             |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 558.        |
| CLASS V.   |            | 122.        |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 8366.       |
| CLASS VII. |            | 400.        |
| CLASS IX.  |            | <u>230.</u> |
| Total.     | \$ 1620.00 | 9676.00     |



## APPROPRIATIONS FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

1900-1901.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD:

## SALARIES:

|                           |                |            |
|---------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Miss Grace Wilder,        | \$ 300.00      |            |
| Miss Emily E. Schenckman, | 300.00         |            |
| Miss Mary Hamilton,       | 300.00         |            |
| Miss M. J. Thomson,       | 300.00         |            |
| Miss Alice E. Giles,      | 300.00         |            |
| Dr. Mary Stewart,         | 300.00         |            |
|                           | <u>1800.00</u> | \$ 1800.00 |

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                      |           |        |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|
| House Accommodation, | \$ 240.00 | 240.00 |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|

SUMMARY.

GOLD.

CLASS I. \$ 1800.00

CLASS VII. 240.00TOTAL. \$ 2040.00

## SUMMARY FOR WESTERN INDIA.

|                     |     | GOLD    | RUPES.  |
|---------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| KONHAPUR.           | \$  | 5090.00 | 7441.   |
|                     | Rs. | 462.    |         |
| RATNAGIRI.          |     | 4790.00 | 3579.   |
| PANHALA.            |     | 2810.00 | 3936.   |
|                     | Rs. | 1848.   | \$ 150. |
| SANGLI.             |     | 4805.41 | 9280.   |
| MIRAJ.              |     | 1620.00 | 9676.   |
| VILLAGE SETTLEMENT. |     | 1800.00 | \$ 240. |

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|        |     |            |            |
|--------|-----|------------|------------|
| TOTAL. | \$  | 21115.41 ✓ | Rs. 33912. |
|        | Rs. | 2310. ✓    | \$ 390.    |

Subject to Cut  
on Mission of Rupees, - 11005.

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|                 |                |        |
|-----------------|----------------|--------|
| TOTAL GRANT, \$ | 21115.41 / Rs. | 22907. |
| Rs.             | 2310. \$       | 390. ✓ |

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June 5th, 1900.

Mrs. George H. Ferris, .

Pelham Manor, N. Y. .

My Dear Mrs. Ferris:-

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, it was voted to accept, though with great reluctance, your resignation, and to express to you the Board's hearty good wishes for you in your life here in America, and its earnest prayer that God may keep and bless you always.

Very sincerely yours,

June 1st, 1900.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,

Miraj, Bombay, India.

My Dear Dr. Wanless:-

I received some time ago your good letters of February 23rd and March 9th, referring to your need of help. I am glad to have heard from Dr. Harding that he expects to go out this fall, on the terms you suggested to him. He wrote to me about the matter, asking if it were all right, and I told him it was all right as far as I knew; that of course the Mission had control of the appropriations, and would have to determine whether the 1800 Rupees could be provided for a physician to assist you, to be included in the appropriations. I told him, however, that I believe the fact that you had written to him would indicate that the way was all clear at your end, and so far as our end was concerned, it was all clear here. I had a nice talk with Mr. Simonson just yesterday. He is here now as one of Dr. George Alexander's assistants, looking after a mission in Blecker Street. He told me of the way in which you had been overworking. I hope you will relieve our anxiety on this score by taking great care. I know how hard it is when you have it.

I believe, as you yourself to those who are over-  
 working, and should not be too much, a person, or a

and I believe, as you yourself to those who are over-



D. Manless, 2.

We have had very few letters from India since you began to receive the Famine Relief money, and shall be very greatly interested to know what use is made of it. The Committee of One Hundred appointed as a result of the Ecumenical Conference, is pressing energetically the work of collecting funds, and will doubtless receive many thousands of dollars. They are sending it out to Bombay, either to the Central Committee there, or, I think, to the Government.

We shall hope to hear that the Spring rains have come, and that there is a prospect of fair crops at the next harvest.

I brought up at a recent meeting, the question of the Miraj Hospital accounts, and it was decided to advise the Mission to make the estimates for the Hospital conform to the provision of the Manual, Paragraph 45, which states that, "In case any work is partially supported by receipts upon the field, the estimated receipts shall be carefully stated, and also the estimated expenses, and only that amount shall be asked which is needed to meet the estimated deficit." We understand by "receipts upon the field," not alone fees for medical treatment, but also receipts from the sale of medicines, payments for food, diet, etc., the rent of wards, and any probable available income. So far as I can see, it amounts all to the same thing in the end, and no hardship will be wrought by including all these respective receipts in the estimates for the year.

We expect to begin our Conference with the new missionaries to-morrow. A few have come in to-day. These Conferences have been very pleasant and useful meetings during the last two years, and we

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are hoping that the one this year will be yet more practical and satisfactory.

I hope that Mrs. Wanless is better than she has been, and trust that these hot months that are now upon you, may not prove unduly trying.

With kind regards.

Your sincere friend,

July 3, 1900.

Mr. John Jolly,  
Sangli, S. M. C.,  
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My dear Mr. Jolly:

Your good letter of March 30th is received the end of April and just a few days ago I got your letter of June 1st, telling of the sad conditions due to the famine and also of the actions of the Mission at a special meeting held in Kolhapur, the 25th and 26th of May. I have received a letter from Dr. Wilson referring to those meetings and saying that he was sending the minutes of them by mail, but no minutes have yet been received. I imagine however that Mr. Hand's cablegrams have already answered most of your inquiries. He notified you sometime ago that enough money was available which the donors would agree to have used for the purchase of material and land to cover the \$35,000 of which you speak in your letter of June 1st. I can make out a good deal of what was decided upon from your letter and Dr. Wilson's, but full report of the meeting when it comes will give us complete information. I am glad that the generous contributions for relief will enable you to give employment to so many people and save so many lives. I am glad also that in this way you can provide useful and necessary buildings and so supply labor instead of demoralizing people by unearned charity.

I hope that before this the monsoon is broken and that however pressing the conditions may still be, you can look forward to better times.

In your letter of March 30th you suggested the advisability



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of erecting another bungalow at Mahabaleshwar, so as to avoid renting. Possibly this point will have been taken up in the special mission meeting.

I am sorry that you will be disappointed, as your letter of March 30th indicates that you will be, because that so few new missionaries are going to the Mission this year. Miss Montgomery, who was under appointment to go with Mr. Marshall is not going, and Mr. Marshall will go to the field as an unmarried man. We had many misgivings about Miss Montgomery's health from the beginning. Mr. Marshall we like very much and are hopeful that he will prove a valuable addition to the Mission.

I am very glad to know of your improved health and trust that Mrs. Jolly has surprised every one as you have done. How are your children? Are they all quite well?

I am sorry to have to say that the receipts for the regular work have fallen off and we do not know what to trace the decrease to except to the India famine relief funds. A large number of the checks that come to Mr. Hand are for this purpose and more than one hundred thousand dollars has been received already, I believe, by the Committee of One Hundred who was appointed as a result of the Ecumenical Conference. Similar committees have been established in other cities and are likely, I fear, to cut in still further. It is good to have such generous responses to the appeals on behalf of the suffering in India, but it will be unfortunate, if instead of responding to these appeals and meeting their other obligations also, the churches simply transfer their contributions from the support of the regular work to these special funds.

I hope that the Mission force is all in good health, and that

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the sun on in Malabarshwar for those who are able to be there will help  
them to recover from the long strain of this past month and to prepare  
for the hard months which lie before.

With kind regards,

Your sincere friend,

*Wm. J. Jolly*

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August 11th, 1900.

W. Marshall,  
York, Nebraska.

My dear Mr. Marshall:-

I do not know where you will be assigned when you go to India. It may be that you will be expected to take up Mr. Simonson's work. He was located at Miraj. I think if I were you I would have my mail addressed to Miraj, Bombay Presidency, India, c/o American Presbyterian Mission. You will not need a passport if you should be regarded as a British subject, which would not be any advantage.

I learn from the Treasurer's office that they are in some doubt as to whether you expect to be ready to sail at the time they had suggested. Perhaps by this time you have written, however, directly to Mr. Hund.

I hope you are quite well and are having a little rest before leaving. It will be good to see you again here before you sail.

Very cordially yours,

A.C.



August 14th, 1900.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,  
Miraj,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Dr. Wanless:-

I think the only letter from you which has come since my last letter to you, is the one dated July 6th, although your letter of January 30th was not answered because I wanted to write a little note which I might enclose.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wanless are quite well, although I fear from what Mr. and Mrs. Irwin tell me, that Mrs. Wanless is not as well and strong as we could wish.

I shall read with much interest the report of the Hospital. Your note of July 6th was the only mention we have had of the baptisms of the Brahmins. If some time you could write out a little fuller account, we shall be very glad to have it for publication. What you have written I am using, but it is evident from what you say that a fuller and very interesting story could be sent.

We have used your article on the "Influence of the Medical Mission" which was capital, and the substance of which I want to lay aside for use in missionary addresses.

I enclose herewith the accompanying letter to the Mission physician, which Dr. Brown had mimeographed and prepared out of a long quotation which he cites from a letter from one of our medical missionaries in China. I wish the next time you write you

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would give your opinion briefly on the points suggested by this missionary.

I havenot heard from Mr. Harding, but suppose that he is still looking forward to joining you this fall. I am very glad that you are to have this help in your work.

With kindest regards.

Your sincere friend,

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August 14<sup>th</sup>, 1900.

The Rev. and Mrs. A. V. Wiley,

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Friends:-

In sending the accompanying Mission letter, I must write personally in reply to Mrs. Wiley's good letter of June 12th. Everything that comes from the Mission indicates that your associates are as well pleased with you as you are with them. I am afraid that your first year will have proved a very trying one, more trying perhaps than any subsequent year that you will spend in India. Let us hope at any rate, that there will never be again such a famine as this one.

We thought of you all at the time of the New Missionaries' Conference this Spring. A larger company than ever came out to our home in Englewood, and we had a very pleasant afternoon and evening together. I can hardly understand now how we could get along so many years without these Conferences. They have meant so much since they were started three years ago. Many of those who came to the Conference this year, however, under assignment to China, are waiting in great perplexity, because it has been impossible thus far to decide definitely as to their course. We are all hoping, however, that within a week the ladies will be able to reach Peking, and to deliver the ministers and other foreigners, and that such an adjustment will then be made as will speedily lead to the pacification of the country.



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Missionaries differ very much in their estimate of the situation. Some, who are of the alarmist disposition, think it will be many years before missionaries can reside in the interior again. On the other hand, we received a letter from one of our missionaries now at home on furlough, who wants to go back a head of time, although he belongs to a far inland Station, because he says the men at least ought to be ready to go back to their Stations immediately at the close of the war, to gather things together, and to take advantage of the opportunity that will be presented. Whether this is a death struggle of the old spirit of China or not, no one can say. It ought to be, and if the Western powers could only go with some unselfishness of motive and simple unity of spirit, it would be.

I am so much obliged to Mrs. Wiley for her most interesting picture of the conditions due to the famine, especially in connection with the orphan children who are thrown upon your care. We are constantly receiving requests for names of missionaries to whom money can be sent for the care of such children. We have forwarded, as you know, thousands of dollars to the Missions, with no specification as to its use, except that we hoped so far as was proper, the labor that could be employed by these funds might be utilized to improve mission property and to secure buildings necessary for the work. I suppose a good deal of the money which has gone out for famine relief, has been devoted to help little children, and properly so.

I think I have not received any letter from Mr. Wiley since the one he wrote from on board the Imperator. I have a record of

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, 3.

having answered that letter on the 14th of December, but cannot find my answer.

It will always be a pleasure to hear from you, as it is a pleasure constantly to remember you and to think of your work.

With kindest regards.

Your sincere friend,

August 14th, 1900.

The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
Ratnigiri,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Hannum:-

Your good letter of March 7th was received a long time ago. I should have answered it before, but cannot omit doing so now, as I send the enclosed Mission letter. I was very sorry to miss you when you left New York. We were delayed outside by the fog, so that I did not get in until Sunday morning. It was very uncomfortable and cold and difficult to bear pleasantly, as we were all packed up and everything was ready for the ship to come into her pier when the fog closed down on us, and we lay at anchor outside the harbor, waiting for the fog to pass. We got our reward Sunday morning, however, which was a perfect winter day, not too cold, and clear as the weather can be here when it wants to.

It was good to hear of the hearty welcome you received, and also to know that you saw signs of real progress. We are all hoping that the relief work in connection with the famine may put you in the way of more successful mission work than has ever been done yet, in our hard field of the Bombay Presidency.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, who are here now, are in the Presbyterian Hospital, where I think they are not likely to be obliged to stay more than a few weeks. Mr. Irwin is there for what he supposed was



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rheumatism, but what the doctors told him was necrosis of one of the bones of his leg, which could be cured by an operation.

I hope that Mrs. Hannum and the children are all quite well, and that you are feeling in good shape for the work.

With kindest regards,

Very cordially yours,

*Handwritten signature*

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August 24th, 1900.

Miss A. A. Brown,  
 Kolhapur,  
 Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Brown:-

Since writing to you last, I have received your good letters of March 26th, May 1st and May 24th, and am copying out extracts for the papers for those who are interested in famine relief. Money still pours in for this object, and I believe that the independent Committees which have the matter in charge, are receiving it steadily also. We are afraid that it is going to affect seriously the contributions to the regular work, but perhaps all the more people will be interested, and interested more deeply.

I gave your name to a Presbyterian elder in Coshocton, Ohio, who wanted to know someone who could look after orphans. His name is James R. Johnson. I told him that he could send his money here, and it would be forwarded by Mr. Hand to the regular famine relief fund, and he had better write directly to you, so as to tell you just what was wanted.

I think when I see any photographs of the orphan children or the poor little famine waifs wasted away by their suffering, that people must have hearts of adamant and not hearts of flesh at all, who can look on such pictures unmoved. I was in an express office the other day, and saw a large bill on the wall, announcing that the Express Co. was forwarding contributions free of charge. There were

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two pictures on the bill that nearly made one weep to look at them.

The agony of working in the midst of such conditions and among such sights can be faintly imagined, and it helps me to understand how much you need the grace of God to uphold you at this time.

With kindest regards.

Your sincere friend,



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August 14th, 1900.

The Rev. E. M. Wilson,  
Sangli,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Wileon:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter to the Mission referring to various points, but must write just a note accompanying it, to thank you for your letters of June 22nd and 29th, most of which I am copying to print in the papers for those who are deeply interested in the famine relief work. Money is still coming in for this purpose, and we are quite sure that the amounts so given are affecting the contributions for the regular work which show a falling off. Hundrede of thousands of dollars have been given by the churches for this purpose; and while doubtless all such charity increases interest in mission work, and enlarges the disposition of people to give, its temporary effect is to absorb a good deal of what otherwise would go to the regular work. One of the serious leaks, however, is found in connection with the Orientals who come to this country. It is simply amazing to see the way in which the most obvious and apparent frauds make their way into the churches and secure amounts of thousands of dollars. The people will accept almost any tale, and will take up some man who is a renegade from his own field, and load him with flattery and gifts.

I hope that your eyes are better. I am sure that you will take good care of them.

With warm regards.

Your sincere friend,

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Dr. A. S. Wilson,  
 Panhala,  
 S. M. C., India.

My Dear Dr. Wilson:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter to the Mission, but I have for a long time owed you a personal note in acknowledgment at least, of your note of December 15th, regarding your surgical outfit. The amount was included, as you discovered when you received the appropriations, in Class VI of Panhala Station.

I have to acknowledge now the receipt of your good letters of June 7th and 28th, together with the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Mission. All the actions of this meeting, I thin, are answered in the accompanying letter to the Mission. Mr. Hand's cablegram had already settled, however, the main point which was no doubt in your mind. With all the horror and suffering of it, this famine will evidently leave your Mission better equipped in buildings that we could have had any expectation a year ago that it would be. Would that the results of the famine might result not only in better buildings, but also in rich results in the way of additions to the churches and the conversions of the lives of the sufferers by the Gospel.

I shall bring up at the first opportunity, the question of orphanages in India, regarding which, in behalf of the Mission, you make inquiry in your letter of June 7th.

Dr. Wilson, 2.

Let me send my heartiest congratulations to you and Mrs. Wilson on the birth of your little daughter. I hope that Mrs. Wilson is quite strong and well, and that the little girl is growing nicely.

I am having copied for publication, the vivid account in your letter of June 28th, of the famine conditions at Paahala, especially the dreadful account of caste prejudice which prevents so many from accepting the help which is offered to them.

I am taking the liberty of sending you herewith, a copy of a little book entitled "The Man Christ Jesus," which you may have seen or may not. If you have a copy, you can give this one to some one of the native helpers who knows English. I have been spending what spare time I could get, on a simple study of the Apostle Paul, and have it completed now and most of it in the hands of the printer.

It is necessary for one to keep doing some specific and original work in Bible study, I believe, in order to keep his own spiritual life fresh, not to speak of preventing his mind from becoming stagnant. I am afraid that sometimes we really diminish our power and our efficiency by giving to work time that should be spent in preparation for work, or preparation in work. There is such a thing as a pernicious facility, as I think it was Bishop Weber used to say, which impels us to keep working right ahead with the appearance of energy and power, when all the time we are growing more hollow and empty inside.

I enclose herewith a mimeograph letter which Dr. Brown prepared on the basis of a long quotation which he cites from a letter from one of our best medical missionaries in China. I wish the next

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When you write you would give your opinion briefly on the points suggested by this missionary.

I am sorry to hear about your brother's trouble with his eyes, and sincerely trust that he may recover from it.

With kindest regards.

Very cordially yours,



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The Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

I have not written earlier with reference to the actions of the special meeting of the Mission held in May, inasmuch as Mr. Hand's cablegram sent prior to the receipt of the Minutes of that meeting, notified you of the availability of the money required to purchase materials and property for the erection of the buildings in connection with the Famine Relief funds. We can, of course, only confirm here the judgment of the Mission, and are sure that you have striven to make the wisest possible use of the money sent out from this country. Dr. Wilson has recently written especially with reference to the small hospital it is proposed to erect at Panchala. I would say with reference to this, what I have said in general that, what has commended itself to the Mission is approved here.

With reference to the care of destitute children, we shall wait with much interest the result of the deliberations of the next Mission meeting. The Furruckhabad Mission especially is anxious to have the Board take up the question of Orphanages and the care of famine children, and it is certain that the Board will now have to do so. It will be necessary to act with a great deal of forethought and deliberation in order to enable us to lay out plans which will yield the best results, while at the same time they involve no neglect of duty on our part.

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The course of the Mission meanwhile, pending the consideration of the question by the Mission meeting, seems to be wise.

With reference to the plan of raising funds for the permanent support of the famine children, regarding which we have had some correspondence with Mrs. Ferris and a later talk with her, the action of the Board is as follows:

"It was voted to be inexpedient at present to undertake any movement for the permanent support and education of famine children in India, the Board preferring to encourage every effort to relieve present distress, deferring any consequent questions that might arise for future consideration."

Mrs. Ferris had not worked out any definite plan, I think, and was not very clear in her own mind as to what was best. This particular matter, however, is properly a part of the broader question which it is proposed to consider at the Mission meeting.

You will greatly regret to learn what some of you may have already heard that Mrs. Ferris has resigned her connection with the Board. Her own health and the desires of her children have entered very largely into her decision. I am very sorry to have to inform you also, that Mrs. Hull has decided that her family responsibilities here render it inexpedient for her to carry out her hope of returning to India. I have to report also that Miss Harriet Montgomery will not accompany Mr. Marshall, who will go out to the field alone. We are greatly pleased with Mr. Marshall, and are sure that he will make a very valuable addition to the Mission force. I only wish that half a dozen men could be sent to the Mission instead of one. It is of course possible that the difficulties in China may lead to the transfer of some of the China missionaries to the other fields, in which case

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I hope some of them may be assigned to India.

It occurs to me on re-reading the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Mission, that the Mission hopes to receive from the Board some expression of policy as to the care of orphans prior to the meeting of the Mission. I have been expecting to bring the matter up as soon as the members of the Board returned at the close of Summer, and if any decision is reached, I shall of course let you know at once.

The India papers keep you informed, doubtless, pretty fully as to conditions in China. Thus far we do not know positively of the death of any of our own missionaries. Some who were reported to have been killed, we have since heard are in safety, and while the little company in Paochingfu has been shut off absolutely from the outside world for some time, and various reports of their destruction have been received, we still continue to hope that they are safe, and will ultimately escape. The work all over the Empire, however, is practically abandoned, save as the native workers are able to carry it forward, and as some of the chapels and schools and hospitals in the ports can still be carried on. The missionaries have almost all been recalled from interior cities. At the same time, there probably has never been in China such a thorough proclamation of Christianity as is going on now. It may be a very distorted idea of it that people are getting, but everything foreign is talked about now throughout the Chinese Empire as it has never been before.

We are very glad to hear that the rains have come, and shall hope that the next mails will tell of ample showers and the prospect



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of the famine's end. Meanwhile the contributions for relief have continued to come in, and we shall of course continue to forward the money from time to time to the field. The last letters from the Furrukhabad Mission speak of famine in several Stations there, and of the opening of the famine works by the Government. In addition to what distress the Mission may have to look after in its own field in this way, many of the Furrukhabad missionaries have taken under their charge orphans from the famine districts, and we shall have to send some money to the North for the care of these children.

We have been very much encouraged by such reports as Dr. Wanlass's, of the baptism of the Brahmins and others, and are hopeful that the immense amount of charity received at the hands of Christians during this famine, may give you access to the hearts of the people, and dispose them kindly to Christianity. The work of the Shantung Missions, which is now under trial as by fire, received its greatest successes as a result of famine relief work. Very little success to be sure has appeared in our Furrukhabad Mission as a result of the work done during the famine of 1887 in the Northwest provinces, but we shall hope that now at last the hard crust of indifference and lethargy which you have been striving to break in Western India during these many years, may be penetrated.

You will be glad to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, after a visit in Scotland, arrived in New York. At present they are both detained here a little while for medical treatment. It was a great pleasure to see them, and talk over the work of the Mission, although



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it has been quite a while since they left the field.

With warm regards to all.

Your sincere friend,

*Wm. W. W.*

August 14th, 1900.

Mrs. J. M. Goheen,  
Kolhapur,

Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mrs. Goheen:-

I have let too long a time elapse since writing to you and Mr. Goheen, but I must write just a note now to thank you for your splendid letters of Jan. 26th, March 28th and June 14th. The famine relief money with the difficulties which brought you severe burdens, has also proved a blessing in this, that it has enabled the Mission to provide for its work buildings which otherwise could not have been provided at all, or if at all, not for many years. The letter which goes to the Mission by this same mail, simply confirms the cable which Mr. Hand sent, about the \$3500. available for materials. I am glad that your facilities for the work are to be so much enlarged and improved, while at the same time, you are able to do so much to relieve the sufferings of the people, and to win a way into their hearts.

You will doubtless have heard already from Mrs. Hull, of her decision not to return to India. I do not know what the precise family conditions are which have convinced her that it is her duty to remain here, but you will probably know. I am sorry that you are not to have the privilege of receiving her back into the Mission.

Thank you very much for the passages in your letter of March 28th, regarding the famine. I am copying these out for the people

Mrs. Coheen, 2.

at home who are eager for information. We did not get very much at first, but now the letters from the Mission contain a great deal that is of just the sort that the people want.

I hope that you and Mr. Coheen have had a pleasant and restful Summer, and earnestly trust that he may gain fresh strength, and you also, for the work of the coming year.

I havenot been out in the Huntingdon Presbytery for more than brief visits for a long time. I think it has been six or seven years since I attended a meeting of the Presbytery, and about three years since I went to the Presbyterial Society. The last meeting of the Presbyterial Society I attended was in Mount Union, I think in the Winter of 1897-98. The little church was packed to the doors, in spite of a foot or more of snow, which was steadily increasing.

I wonder if you ever saw a sermon by Dr. Thompson of Philadelphia, on the Sending of the Twelve Apostles, which has been brought back to my recollection by a letter just received from a gentle man, asking where I could obtain it. I had some copies of it printed several years ago, and shall send him one, and knowing you will be interested in it, I enclose you one herewith.

With warm regards to you both.

Your sincere friend,

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September 12th, 1900.

Miss Grace E. Wilder,  
Kolhapur,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Wilder:-

I was going to address this letter to Conoor, and then changed it, thinking that by the time it reaches you, you will be back in Kolhapur probably; or that at any rate it will be safer to write to you there. We have known, though, of your being at Conoor, and have regretted the necessity of your laying aside active work for a while. We are hoping that a good rest in the hills has put you on your feet again, and made you feel strong enough for the coming winter's work.

It must have been doubly trying to be ill just at a time when the famine relief work was laying its heaviest strain upon you. We rejoice with you at such ample means at your disposal, and are glad that the Mission has accomplished so much in the way of supplying necessary buildings, while at the same time it has been able in this way to furnish relief work to many who otherwise might have starved.

I can hardly believe that it is as long since I last wrote to you as the letters which I have from you unanswered would seem to indicate.

The point about your liberty to use the \$250 gold towards Sanitarium rent and itinerating expenses, came by a letter which was received just at the time when I was writing to Mr. Wilson, and I



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spoke of the matter as follows, in a postscript to my letter to him:

"Since writing the above, I have received a letter from Miss Wilder, in which she encloses your letter of April 30th to her. Perhaps I spoke too circumstantially regarding the appropriation of \$240. Gold, in Class 7 of the Settlement appropriations. I did not mean to imply that the Mission did not have just the same right to transfer that money to Class 4 or Class 9 that it has in the case of items in Class 7 in the appropriations for other stations. The \$240. we understand is to be devoted toward the Settlement expenses. If they rent accommodations, the rent will be defrayed out of that money. If, however, they do not need it for that purpose, and wish to spend it in itinerating work or sanitarium rent, they are perfectly free to do so, under the provision of the Manual regarding allowing liberty of transfer."

As for having what money is to the credit of the Settlement sent by October 1st, I judge from the fact that a special Mission meeting provided for the erection of a bungalow from the Indian Relief fund, would lead you to cancel that request. We are holding, however, whatever comes in for the Settlement in a special account.

I judge that even yet the exact location of the Settlement Station is undetermined. Several places have been mentioned,--a place called Athui, or Athni, spoken of in one of Mr. Seiler's letters, and mention has been made also of the place you speak of -- Takari. We shall be very much interested to know the final decision, which I suppose if it has not been already reached, will be reached at the Mission meeting.

I went down on Saturday to the steamer to say good-by to Mr. and Mrs. Graham and their daughter, and Mr. Marshall, who sailed for the Western India Mission. I wish we had had half a dozen men to send instead of one, and that they could have been the sort of men whom you have in mind and whom we would like to get. I appreciate

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what you say as to the kind of men who have the faculty of bringing not to a conclusion, the gathering in of some definite results, of connecting the end of their effort with the process of influence. That is a faculty which most Christian workers lack at home. We do the very best we can to get the best men and women. If the right sort do not get out, it is because they are not among those who apply. I think our annual Conference is doing a great deal to help to make more specific and clear the need of just that quality of which you speak.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, after being here for a little while, have gone on to their home. At present they are in Steubenville, Ohio, with Mr. Irwin's brother, who is a pastor there. I had a number of pleasant talks with him when they were here. Mr. Irwin is anxious to work up a men's Settlement corresponding to the women's Village Settlement. I am afraid, however, that it will require for its success appeals from someone who would be in a position to go in to it. I have not ventured to speak too discouragingly to him, however, because I hope I am as much interested as he is in any project which will lead us in getting out a larger number of consecrated men to India.

You will all be thinking now, as the Church at home is, of China and the great tragedy that has occurred there. It is wonderful, though, how so many instead of being thrilled by the devotion of the missionaries and Chinese Christians, simply make these troubles another pretext for withholding their sympathy from Missions, and for urging an abandonment of the missionary project. How little they

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understand the spirit of Christ, or of the open secrets of human history' Newspapers of course make all the capital they can out of this attack on Missions, and print innumerable scurrilous and ignorant articles. I enclose a reply to one of these, in which you may be interested.

I hope your Mother is very well, and that wherever you may be this fall and winter, God may greatly bless all your work.

Your sincere friend.



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September 12th, 1900.

Miss Alice L. Giles,  
 Miraj,  
 C. M. C., India.

My Dear Miss Giles:-

I am indebted to you for three letters and two postal cards and a note. Your first letter was received on June 7th, and we have made a great deal of use of it since. It is the one in which you gave such a vivid account of the famine. We had copies made which we sent to the papers. Since then a great deal of material has come in in the letters from Western India about the famine. We sent copies of your famine letter to the various persons mentioned in your note of May 15th. I have not heard myself from Mr. DeCamp recently, and do not know his present location.

I am sending to Mr. Tilak the two books which he wished, and am having much pleasure in doing so. I shall not make use of your money order on Mr. Hand, but am only too glad to send the books as a present to one who, as you say, will make good use of them. I am familiar with Mr. Tilak's name, and shall be very glad to be of any help to him, and am grateful to you for letting me know of his interest in my books. Another one is in the printer's hands now. It is on rail, and will correspond in character to the little book on the character of Jesus. It will not be out, however, for some weeks yet.

I note what you say in your letter of July 13th about the



Miss Gills, &c.

desirability of having any new members of the Settlement as thoroughly informed as possible of the plans and principles of the Settlement before they go out to the field. I supposed that Dr. Stewart did know. Perhaps, however, I ought to have told her more than I did of the details. I fear that in any event it would be impossible to acquaint anybody with the whole situation in advance. Your little party would know better because you were with Miss Wilder, and went out to the field together, or about the same time. But any newcomers would of necessity gain only a partial idea from the explanations that would be made to them. Still, we ought to do everything that can be done, and I shall bear it in mind, and see that no mistake is made from a dearth of any details in the case of any other appointments. I do not think there is any prospect of other appointments at present, however.

I went down to the steamer to say good-bye to some missionaries leaving for Western India last Saturday, - Mr. and Mrs. Graham and Miss Graham, and Mr. Marshall. I only wished that the one man who is going out as an addition to the mission force were ten. Mr. Irwin, who has come home, is talking over a proposed men's settlement, and is contemplating, I believe, writing to the Mission with reference to it in time for the Mission Meeting.

You will let this be a letter to the whole Settlement, will you not? and allow me to acknowledge in it the receipt of Miss Thomson's letter of January 12th, and Miss Schurman's without date, which was received on January 8th. I am very much obliged to them

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for these good letters, and I hope that all the members of the Settlement will write often.

I hope you manage to keep yourself master of your routine duties. I suppose it is just as easy with you as it is with me here to get caught in the wheels of mechanical activity, or to be engulfed before we know it by the externals of our work.

I was reading the other morning coming in on the train from my home, a paper by Dr. Corbett of Chafco, read before a Missionary Conference in Shantung, in which, speaking of the Apostles, he said: "They were deeply convinced that a definite work of stupendous importance had been committed to them personally, and they must not turn aside to do what could be done by others. Do not missionaries need to be ever vigilant lest much of their time will be consumed with minor matters to the detriment of the main work of life?" In speaking of the things which all of us who are engaged in the missionary work must be on our guard against, Dr. Corbett said: We must forever be on our guard against laziness. Is not this a sin which doth so easily beset our lives? Missionaries can command their time as perhaps few others can. There are no railroad appointments, bank or office hours requiring the utmost punctuality. The missionary in his study may daily spend hours concentrating his whole mind upon the study of the language, the <sup>ing</sup> meaning of God's Word, or whatever will best qualify him for his Master's work, or he may persuade himself that his time was given him to spend pleasantly in recreation, or in dreaming, lounging or hobby-riding, while sheep are wandering from the fold, and souls perishing for want of immediate care. Each one

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should daily make direct and special effort, by word and act, to lead souls to Christ, and help Christians to become more Christ-like."

One of the great questions which I suppose you face, as I know we face it here, is, How we can keep our life free from indolence or narrowness or mechanicalism, and rich in elements of love and inspiration. An editorial in the Sunday School Times about two years ago, spoke of the difficulty and necessity of this very thing, of preserving the liberty and independence of the spirit in the midst of our work, and walking with God while we walk also amid the ordinary duties of every day. This was the paragraph with which the Times closed:

"Let us all attend upon our inspirations. Let us not say that we have no time for them. For what can we better use time? Drudgery must be done, and it has its blessings; but we need plenty of inspiration to make it amount to anything. No one will ever be grateful to us for surrendering our ideals and our visions. The common people do not want it; at the utmost what they want is only that we find means of making our ideals a little less abstract, that we keep on following them, but keep also at the organization of a gift which, shall interpret them to men, and makethem gradually intelligible. This may not be done at once; nor will a whole life time ever reach a stage when there is nothing for us to do in that line. But it is much to have one's whole activity and service overhung with inspirations, for there is nothing men find out more quickly than this, let our speech or cease as it may. This is what fertilizes common life, and makes it significant; this is what allures men to what we do. For this, one must pay the price by neglecting some things. There is danger of getting lost in "the little."

Very cordially yours,



October 10th, 1900.

To the Eastern India Mission:

My Dear Sir:-

The question of Orphanages in India was presented to the Board at a recent meeting, and the following action was taken:

The question of the care of orphan children thrown upon the India Missions by the recent famine, was considered in connection with certain requests from the Missions, and it was voted (1) To appropriate from each of the famine funds now in hand as are available for such purpose, the sum of 1000 Rupees to the Lodianna Mission for the employment at Saharanpur of an English mechanic in the industrial workshop; (2) That an appropriation of \$1000. gold, from the famine fund available for such purpose, be made to the Furrukhsbad Mission, for the establishment of a boys' orphanage; (3) That the Eastern India Mission be authorized to care for the orphans dependent upon it as far as possible in the homes of the village people, native Christians or others, and otherwise to care for them in such institutions as may seem best, it being understood, however, that all such work must be done within the limits of money already in hand of the Missions; (4) That in taking these actions, the Board is unable to lay aside all misgivings as to the large development of this form of work, but must recognize the present necessities, not to speak of this opportunity to train for Christian usefulness the lives of those committed to the care of the Missions; (5) That the Board cannot pledge itself, in view of the insufficiency of its present income to meet the demands of the existing work, to withdraw from other Missions the funds necessary for the support of these famine orphans, but will, of course, apply strictly to this purpose all funds that may be contributed especially for it.

I trust this action is self-explanatory, and that it will answer the questions which lay in your mind.

I understand from Mr. Hand that you have all the money you need, both for famine relief and for the present care of the orphans which you have taken in charge. Mr. Hand is opening a special fund



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for the contributions toward the support of orphans, many of which are coming in to us as special contributions. For the present, monies coming into this fund will be sent out probably monthly, either specified as to the precise objects for which they are given, or for application by the Missions to the support of the famine orphans without further specification. Until we hear from you to the effect that you need some of this money, none of it will be sent to Western India, unless it is specially designated as intended for you by the donors.

Will you please report after the Mission Meeting, just what you are planning in the way of the care of these orphans? How many have been taken by the Mission or by individual members of it? How they are disposed of? how supported? what expense will be necessary for their maintenance? and all other facts that will help us to understand the situation?

I think you will be interested in an interview published in the Church Economist for September 1900, in which the Rev. F. B. Meyer is credited in quotation marks with the following extracts of opinion:

"It might be the very best thing for China, and India as well, if all the American and European missionaries would have to clear out. I have had no personal experience or observation in China, but I have in India. The one thing lacking in the life of the Indian Christians is independence. They lean on the foreign missionaries. If the missionaries went two things would happen: 1. The 'rice-Christians' would drop off. 2. Those on whom real growth must depend would be compelled to take a ~~definite~~ stand, and through them the Holy Ghost would probably produce a native Christian Church that would prove the one organization for the evangelization of India. I doubt if India can be evangelized by present methods. Both American (to an extent) and English missionaries stand as the representatives of a conquering race, to whom the weak cringe or depend for support, and from whom the self-reliant stand aloof. As in the case of Madagascar the awful

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persecution in the sixties proved the means of developing a strong Madagascar Church, so persecutions in China incident to the upheaval may well prove under God the development of a strong Chinese Church. In China the Gospel is not indigenous now. I think the time is ready for withdrawal of the foreigners. The early Christian Church had not so long a time of probation before its leaders were given up to martyrdom, and yet the Church stood, still. It will stand in China, the more so that the Chinese have the Scriptures. For that matter, my judgment is that the principle holds more in China than in India, and from my own knowledge I am convinced that the American and European missionaries will have to leave India before the work there becomes truly successful. The Chinese character is of stronger stuff than the Indian. The Chinese make superb preachers, and are excellent evangelists. Of course the Europeans and Americans would leave the property there for native use. In this whole matter I am only trying to interpret what I think to be the course of God's providence. Christendom has never had a chance to know the splendid stuff of which native Christians in China are made. Withdraw the foreign Christian workers and I believe we shall soon force the Church in both countries to become indigenous and independent, and see it prosper as it can never prosper under present conditions."

Of course, in these remarks, Mr. Meyer shows how slight an understanding of the situation he has, and there is not the least likelihood that his opinion will carry any weight or exert any influence with missionary organizations. But it is indicative of a certain sort of opinion which is found here and there in the Church; and to come from Mr. Meyer, who has been in India, and to whom the Church would credit some authority, is very significant. It will illustrate some of the sentiment at home that has to be met by the advocates of Missions with a part of missionary argument that was not thought of or deemed necessary a few years ago.

Of course the grain of truth in the bushel of chaff in Mr. Meyer's interview, is the grain of truth after which we are all seeking. Everything that we can do to exalt the idea of, native Church possessing genuine life and independence, will go far to counteract the value of such injudicious declarations as these.

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I hope that you may have a blessed Mission Meeting, and that God's Spirit may make the work of the coming winter fruitful and effective beyond all our prayers.

I trust that Mr. and Mrs. Graham and Miss Graham and Mr. Marshall, who will have reached you long before this letter reaches you, may have had a pleasant voyage, and that they may be kept always in peace of heart and strength of body for the loving service of our Saviour.

With kind regards to all.

Your sincere friend,



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Since writing the above, Mr. Seiler's letter of September 14th has been received, enclosing a cable code for our reply. We have sent to-day a message, indicating that the Board grants permission to the Mission to reserve 25,000 Rupees of the present famine funds, for support of famine waifs after the close of the famine; that it approves of the Mission taking as many famine children as it may deem wise, especially in the light of what I have written in this letter regarding the subject. We have also authorized the Mission to erect buildings for famine children not to exceed 5000 Rupees. This was the only point about which we have been most in doubt, but are quite prepared to leave the matter to the judgment of the Mission, it being understood that these 5000 Rupees, or whatever amount is used for this purpose, are to be taken from the funds already sent to the Mission. We are sure from what we hear from the various donors here that they are quite satisfied to have the Missions look after the famine children as it may seem best to the missionaries on the field. The cablegram which has been sent, expresses our approval of the Mission's making use of Christian Herald funds for the support of children, and also of the Americo-Indian Famine Fund for industrial training, or other aid for famine waifs.

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The Rev. W. A. Harrison,

Venugur, (Petrugiri),

Don't by Presidency, India

My dear Mr. Harrison:

I enclose herewith a letter to the Mission. It covers, I think, all the points in the mission minutes regarding the Board. I must write to you, however, personally to acknowledge the receipt of your many letters, which I have not yet acknowledged, and also to thank you in addition to what I have said in the mission letter, for the beautiful share in which you have gotten up the Minutes and Estimates and Reports. Since I wrote to you last, the following are all the letters which have come from you: September 15th, October 1st, and 2nd, November 8th, 1911 and December 3rd. I think I have enclosed in the mission letter all the points in your letters, unless it be the one of the 1st by the mission of the unused part of Dr. Harding's appropriation of rupees 1800, for the year, May 1st - April 30, 1912, in adjusting this year's heavy cut. It is perfectly within the power of the mission to transfer any part of that item. If it had not have already have been done and the Mission Treasurer should have been asked to make the transfer, fearing the want of authority, I will gladly let him know that we regard the Mission's authority to transfer within the various classes as covering that item as well as the others.

I shall be very much interested to hear from you again.

M. Hannum

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you and Dr. Werless reached as to the subject of sending out men as a part of men's settlement. Mr. Irwin and I had some conversation about that subject and he hoped that you would get it settled at this mission meeting, so that in case the decision was favorable he could do something at home. You speak in your letter of October 1st of your opinion. "No higher standard should be maintained for these men than for the female candidates". I assume by that that you had in mind men who have not had the theological course, but who would, earnest laymen, go out to do pioneering evangelistic work. Of course I cannot speak now as to how the Board would view this, but if the Mission wanted to make the experiment, I am very willing to cooperate heartily with you and we will see that it be accomplished. I presume that you would intend to organize the Men's Settlement on the same financial basis as the Women's. Miss Thompson tells me that their salaries were ample when they were living together. Of course they are not sufficient to cover emergencies such as <sup>have</sup> nature, and just at that point the importance of having a settlement attached to a responsible missionary board becomes manifest.

I acknowledged above one letter as from you of date October 2nd, but I notice now on re-reading it that it is from Mrs. Hannum and that it is the bi-monthly letter for the Ratnagiri Station. Will you please send her for it. I enjoyed especially the account of the work among your forty-two orphan boys at Vengurle. You will see that I have said nothing about the subject of the orphans in the accompanying letter. It has seemed to us that it would be most convenient for you if we should try to deal with the support of these orphans on the same subject as far as necessary on which we deal with the

other work, namely, that we should receive the funds here and assign to the donors as many orphans as their contributions will support under the care of the missionary they prefer.

A recent excellent letter from Mr. Schurman contains an admirable account of the work of the Wengurle Station and a most appreciative description of your work and Mrs. Hannum's in having it copied out for an article.

Thank you very much for the suggestion in your letter of November 23d, with reference to your need of a supply of Board paper and also of forms for estimates and for a table of statistics. I will have a quantity of these sent to you as Mission Secretary and you can distribute them as needed. We shall send you also some copies of the Manual of the Board, with the Supplementary Leaflet of documents and interpretations and also, if we have any of any, a supply of the little folder of instructions for estimates. If these are exhausted, it may be necessary for us to have some of them reprinted.

With reference to the village settlement once more, regarding which you speak in your letter of November 26th, I do not remember that it was a necessary part of the plan that the settlement should be located at a remote distance from any of our present stations. Would it not be carrying out the object of the settlement, even to age it should be located at Singu, Wengurle or Rambo, provided only that it devotes itself to distinctively village work so far as possible. I infer from a statement in your letter of December 18th that the impression prevails that a settlement is an office practically independent of the mission. You speak of the fact that when the Men's Settlement is sent out, of the mission being able to exercise a large degree of control of its work. The same is true of the

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and will return it, makes its members members of the Eastern  
 India Mission, and accordingly brings them under its control. Is  
 this correct?

I was very much interested in what you said about the ef-  
 fect of such institutions like the Nirej hospital. I think you  
 are right that we must be careful to watch them lest they distort a  
 just perception of mission method.

With reference to the Mission's <sup>the</sup> ~~operating~~ <sup>house</sup> at  
 Vengurle for the village settlement and the use to be made of the  
 \$240 contributed annually by Miss Wilder, I would say that we are  
 going into the whole matter of the village settlement account and  
 I may write about it later.

I hope that you and Mrs. Hennum are both very well and that  
 the children are well and happy.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

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The Rev. A. I. Wiley,  
Ratanagiri,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Wiley:

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter of the  
Mission. It gives me an opportunity to send with it a little acknowl-  
edging your good letter of December 13th written in behalf of the  
Station. I have read it through with the greatest interest and  
marvel at the quickness with which you and Mrs. Wiley have gotten into  
the work. I hope that you are finding the language becoming easier  
every day and that before long you may be able to use it with complete  
comfort and freedom. I think a great deal depends on getting right  
down among the people and learning it from them. Mr. Pich who went  
out to the field the year before you has been writing some good  
letters from Mingpo in which he speaks about experiences of his in  
mastering the language. I think you will be interested in what he  
says and will get from it some useful suggestions.

"I am continuing my study of the language, - four hours a  
day in my study, much of the time with a teacher, and then another  
hour and a half I am spending in an entirely new way. My teacher  
goes with me to the tea shops or temples, and there we sit, sup,  
and soon have a number other patrons of the place sitting around  
and we chat together. I have begun this for only one week and  
find it most helpful. The men thus met are mostly artisans and  
coolies, a few only being of the educated class. They are in all  
kinds of trades and are most ready to communicate all kinds of in-  
formation in regard to their business customs or general life.  
Yesterday afternoon I heard a professional storyteller tell in a  
tea-shop, a story with a good moral. The audience listened quite  
attentively. This experience is opening up to me a new  
way to me, and helps one to understand more of their traits.  
One must sit down with them day after day and be one of their number,  
and he will learn what he never knew before. My wife continues con-  
versing on various themes, one soon finds out how intelligible he is

the lay audience. I would throw out this suggestion, with the hope that it can be taken up by young men who go out in the future. It is not enough to visit our native pastors, eat and live with them. They are not able to understand more or less the peculiarities of the Chinese or un-Chinese idiom and unintentionally conceal much. We must mingle with the heathen, know their views of life from their own stand-point, and their ideas of Christianity as they have heard it preached. Some of them regard Christianity as an intelligent and powerful form of scepticism, which, while it puts a new, mysterious God, has for its main object an attack on faith in the old. It is destructive, rather than constructive. Such a conception will have no power to redeem them, and will only make them antagonistic.

This suggestion of thus mingling with the heathen was given me by a most ungodly man, but a fine linguist, a fine speaker of the Mandarin, and one with the most intimate knowledge of the Chinese.

Now, how to present the heart of the Gospel to a people like this, with the widest differences also between the educated and uneducated, how to make them feel their sin and need, and turn to the only One who has divinely loved them and died to redeem them from death, - this is a tremendous task. I am not prepared to do much preaching yet, not that the preparation is difficult any longer, as far as vocabulary and idiom is concerned, but the people I have only begun to know, and much of our preaching, even when preached in love, is unintelligible in idea (not in words) and absolutely useless. Some of it is too abstract, although it would not seem abstract to an American audience. Some of our concrete illustrations are abstract to a Chinaman. I believe that five years, mainly given to study and personal contact as study, is none too much preparation for a missionary, and with it must follow, and it is hard at this time of intellectual application, the deepening of the spiritual life.

Mr. Fitch was born in China and of course that is helping him, but beyond that he is putting himself down to his work with a wisdom and a will, which will make him, I think, one of the best missionaries in China.

I am glad that Mrs. Wiley is so well and hope that both you and she may continue well and strong and that you will take care of your health in every way, both by exercise, diet and all necessary precautions, so that you can both live to be eighty years old, and be able to instruct young missionaries as to how to do things properly and to attain to the same age.

It is good to know of Miss Minor's and Miss Jefferson's

plans. So we have been expecting them every spring for several years. Their friends will be delighted to see them here. I notice what you say about the forty orphans under your care. I hope you will let us hear more particularly about your provision for them in answer to the inquiries contained in the accompanying letter.

How does McArthur find the climate at Ratnagiri agreeing with her now? Last summer, I think, she found it pretty trying. I shall try to write to her, if I can, by this mail, but if not at the earliest opportunity.

Do you find it difficult to keep up a warm and zealous spirit, or is it easier than you thought it would be. When I think of how much we owe here to all the little incentives and inspirations that surround us every day, I wonder that you are cool on the mission field, in the absence of all these, to continue so warm and earnest. But surely we can trust Christ to keep his promise "that if we will go out in his name to the uttermost parts of the earth, he himself will go with us and be our companion every day".

With kind regards to all at the Station from Mrs. Spear and myself

Your sincere friend,

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January 23, 1901.

Rev. D. W. Seiler,  
Mithapur, S. M. C., India.  
Dear Mr. Seiler:

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter to the Mission, but must ask you to acknowledge the receipt of your postal cards of November 16th and December 14th, and your good bi-monthly letter written in behalf of the Station last July and to which I have never yet replied. Our hearts are going out to you all in your sad affliction, as you face the bitter prospect of the future, with the continuance of the famine conditions and of their suffering and all the sorrows of impossibility which they will bring to you.

We shall await further letters and shall indulge the hope that your fears may be happily disappointed, but meanwhile we shall be gathering out of the reports and letters all the material we could use for the awakening of interest, so that we can stir up the hearts of the people again in case your famine is to be as bad as you fear.

We do not hear so much of plague any more. Has the famine over-shadowed it, or has it died away?

I hope that you and Mrs. Seiler are quite well and that you may all have some chance to build up this cool season.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

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January 17, 1901.

The Rev. L. B. Tedford,

Kolhapur, S. P. O., India.

My dear Mr. Tedford:

I am astonished in looking over my letter-book to see how long a time has elapsed since I wrote to you. I cannot understand it. You have been on my mind constantly and it must have been my frequent thought that I had written to you, that deceived me into this long delay. I write now in answer to your note of November 23th. I shall lay that letter aside to present to the Finance Committee when the estimates are considered. It seems a very convincing statement as to the wisdom of your having the 800 rupees with which to repair and change the Panhala school house into a residence.

You will learn from the accompanying Mission letter of the continuance of the 100 rupees needed to complete the repairs of Panhala. I am so glad that the Mission has a place like Panhala, so convenient and accessible. You must not be tempted by your ability to take charge of it, however, and to gain more or less good from it temporarily to postpone too long your coming home on furlough. I can understand how in the midst of the present pressure you are reluctant to think of leaving and hope in case you stay that you may have strength sufficient for the burdens that will be upon you. We have all been rejoicing at the thought of the addition to the Kodoli Church and shall pray for you and for them that you may be given grace for increased responsibilities and that you may be kept by

The accompanying letter rectifies the mistake in the appropriation by which only \$100 instead of \$150 was appropriated for Charlie. Arthur passed the age of 18 on October 30, 1899, so that the only appropriation for your boys made this present fiscal year was \$100, now increased to \$150 for Charlie. Mr. Hand has, however, made quarterly payments in July, September and December to the Foster Homes on Arthur's account at the rate of \$37.50 per quarter. One of the clerks in his office, however, understood that Arthur did not come to the age of 18 until October 30th, 1900, so that he charged all the above payments against the Board, with the exception of \$24 of the third payment which was charged out against you. I suppose that it is the fact that no charges against you were coming out to the Field which led you to think that Mr. Hand had sent nothing toward Arthur's board at Foster. He will now send out all these charges against you. If, however, we are wrong as to the date of Arthur's birth, will you kindly let us know and we will have the whole matter corrected. There is a little confusion on our records here, and the date of '92 as Arthur's date of birth has been changed to '91. Which is right?

I think you will be interested in several little leaflets regarding the Missions in China, which I enclose. The outlook is much more hopeful now. We have received cablegrams from the Central China Mission asking for the return of their missionaries who are at home on furlough and from the Shantung Mission asking for the return of at least one of their missionaries. What the outcome of all these troubles will be, our Christian faith forbids our being anxious about, and ultimately unquestionably, the Chinese Empire will be shaken out of its iron conservatism and obstructive policy for

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the present, however, the prospect is dark. There has been much suffering, so much splendid work has been done, so much discipleship has been occasioned to those who have seen the light. The faithfulness of the Christians, however, has been a great blessing to the Church at home and thousands have been called to resolute Christian discipleship because of this object lesson of fidelity even unto death.

I have just been reading part of your Report, telling of the baptism. I hope that it may be possible for you, as you desire, to follow up these converts with the necessary instruction and care.

Since writing the above, Mr. Garrison has looked up one of your old letters and find that you write on Feb. 14th, 1852 the following: "Our little boy Arthur Cecil now eight months old is of course the most interesting child in all India etc." This settles the date of Arthur's birth.

With warm regards to Mrs. Bedford and yourself,

Very cordially yours,

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January 23, 1901.

To the Western India Mission,

My dear Friends:

The Minutes, Reports and Estimates from the Mission Meeting were received several weeks ago, prepared in the neatest and most careful way, I think, in which, as far as my observation extends in such papers which have ever come to the Board, have been prepared. I only fear that to write out the Minutes and get all the papers ready must have been a great burden to Mr. Hannum, but I must thank him and the Mission in behalf of the Board for the beautiful shape in which all the papers have been put together?

You will have received long before this our cablogram sent in answer to the letters of Mr. Hannum and others, received December 14th, two weeks in advance of the regular Minutes. In accordance with the code enclosed in Mr. Hannum's letter, the message sent to you was "Burletta" . This meant that the Board granted \$350 asked by the Mission for building sites for the famine Buildings, in addition to \$500 already granted for this purpose, also a grant of \$200 for material for Famine Buildings in addition to the money already granted for that purpose, that it appropriated 5000 rupees for building materials for the erection of the additional pay wards of the hospital; that it granted permission to transfer 1500 rupees for furnishing the two schools at Sangli and Kolhapur and the message further indicated that Miss Hamilton had reached America in good condition. I quote herewith from the Minutes of the Board its actions covering these various points.



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"It was voted to accept the generous offer of John H. Converse to give 5000 Rupees for the purchase of materials for the construction of some private pay wards in connection with the Miraj Hospital, the Western India Mission having asked for the same, and the labor to be provided from the Famine Relief Funds".

"\$550 dollars were appropriated from such portions of the India Famine Relief Funds as are available for such use, for the purchase of sites and materials for famine buildings in the Western India Mission".

"The Western India Mission was authorized to transfer 1500 Rs. of the 2100 Rs. appropriated for the Girls' School house at Kolhapur, to furnish the new boys' school house at Sangli and the new girls' school house at Kolhapur".

I ought to add a word of explanation regarding the item of 5000 rupees for the additional pay wards of the Miraj Hospital. This money has been contributed by Mr. John H. Converse of Philadelphia who desired to give whatever was required by the Hospital. Since receiving it from Mr. Converse, I have learned from Dr. Wanless that he has obtained 1500 rupees in India that can be used in the proposed new addition. This would release 1500 rupees of Mr. Converse's gift, which we can apply within the appropriations for the current year toward meeting the running expenses of the Hospital. When I learned from Dr. Wanless that he had received this 1500 rupees, I wrote to Mr. Converse and he replied saying that he did not wish to take back any of his contribution, but would be glad to have the balance devoted to the work of the Hospital.

By a mistake of the steamship agents in Italy, passage was taken for Miss Thompson not to New Orleans but to New York. She arrived here, however, much better for her voyage and when our doctor examined her, he gave her ground to believe that by proper care and living under proper conditions here, she might hope so far to recover as to be able to take up work at home. She has gone to New Mexico,

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where she is now at Phoenix. Whether she will remain there or not however has not been determined. We are all very sorry that she has been obliged to lay aside her work in India and that the settlement has lost such an earnest member. We are in doubt as to the wisdom of sending some one to take her place at present, feeling that it will be better for the settlement with its present force to work out its problem a little further before there are any further additions.

I had a long talk with Miss Thompson here about the settlement, as did also Mrs. Ferris and Mr. Simonson. Miss Thompson expressed her firm and unflinching conviction that the project was practical, at least, in all those features of it regarding which thus far they have had opportunity to acquire experience. I have read over with greatest interest all the records in the Mission meetings with reference to the Settlement. We shall await with much interest the action of the Mission on the basis of the Report of the Committee appointed by the Mission, with reference to the location of the Settlement. Would there be many objections to locating the Settlement for a little while at least at Panhala? I understand from Mrs. Ferris, and indeed from many letters from the Mission that there are hundreds of villages easily accessible from Panhala, which the scanty force of the station is unable to reach. Why could it not, for the present, at least, be assigned in part of the Panhala field, understanding that it was to cultivate the villages, leaving the rest of the field and the regular work of the station to the force at Kodoli. This may be <sup>a</sup> wild and impracticable suggestion, <sup>b</sup> but it would have the advantage of locating the Settlement at once and of bringing all its members together and of settling them directly at the work which they desire to do and for which they have



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go to India, while it would help to provide for villages which are not now being reached, at least to the extent that you desire to reach them. I see that the Mission voted on the proposal to locate the Settlement at Panhala until the coming hot season and that this motion was lost, but it does not appear that the question of a location for a year or two was considered and that, indeed, I do not know why the Panhala proposal was deemed inadvisable. It would be a great help to us if you would write freely and fully regarding the Settlement project.

Mr. Irwin here is greatly interested in the idea of having a group of men go out to the mission. I had some little correspondence with him before the Minutes came, indicating that this question had been considered and referred to a Committee to report at the next meeting. I am afraid that one difficulty in the way would be to find the men. It seems almost impossible to get enough men, either married or unmarried to fill the most needy places. The Church has the impression that there are multitudes of young men simply waiting appointment, whereas the fact is that comparatively few men are offering themselves. Although we have sent out numerous appeals and have written to scores of young men, we are unable to find enough to fill places that ought to have been filled months ago and which the Board has been prepared to fill any time this year that the men could be found.

There would be a freedom of movement about men's Settlement that would doubtless make the problem of its location and administration much simpler than that of a woman's Settlement, but I hope that even the difficulty problem of this latter may be, in a measure, solved and I have wondered, although this has been only my own thought,

and as I say, may seem to you a foolish thought, why the difficulties would not be largely cleared up by the location of the Settlement at least tentatively at some such place as Panhala, to cultivate some part of the village field, accessible from such a place and at present altogether insufficiently cultivated, as all the Reports and letters from the Mission declare.

The Board at its meeting on Monday, when the full Minutes of the Mission were read before it, cordially approved the opening of the station at Kodolā, instead of Panhala or Islampur.

Regarding the Mission's inquiry concerning the continuance of appropriations in Class VII, the following action was taken.

"In reply to the inquiry of the Western India Mission, it was voted that as a rule the appropriations for Class VII should lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which they are made, but that the Board would always cordially consider whenever possible continuing appropriations made for necessary repairs which could not be completed during the fiscal year, such cases to be presented by the Mission at the time."

The action of the Mission, adverse to the proposition of a Secretary on the field for the Missions in India, was presented to the Board. The same question was considered by the Murruckhabad Mission but no action was taken. I suspect it was postponed by the mission for the consideration at its Joint Meeting with the Lodiana Mission, which was held in December and the Minutes of which have not yet been received. If the judgment of those Missions is adverse, of course nothing further will be done. The chief reason for making the proposal was I think the desire of the Board to meet the judgment of some that there should be more united authority resident in the work on the field.

Regarding the Miraj Medical School, the Board's action was as follows:



"In accordance with the request of the Mission, it was voted to approve of the medical school connected with the hospital at Miraj Station, Western India Mission, same to be a regular part of the mission work, and to be provided for within and subject to the conditions of the regular appropriations".

The Mission's request for the Board's sanction of the publication of an Annual Report was considered and I quote the Board's reply.

"The request of the Western India Mission for authority and an appropriation for the publication of the annual report was considered, and it was voted, in accordance with past decisions of the Board on similar requests from other Missions, and in view of the large expense that would be involved if all the Missions who desired should issue such reports, that the Board could not with its present light grant the authority asked for, but would consider any special arguments in favor of the publication of such a report by the Mission that it might desire to present".

The estimate for printing the Report is 150 rupees. To this would have to be added the cost of postage. But even supposing that the total cost was but \$50, the general publication of such Reports by all the Missions would mean an annual expenditure of about \$1400. The Board would be under just the same necessity of printing its Report here for the Assembly, so that there would be no saving on that account to counterbalance the expenditure on the other. At present there are, I think, only three missions that print their Report. One is the Lodiania Mission. How it provides for it, I do not know. There is no appropriation made for it. The other two are the Central China and Syria Missions, each of which has a huge press where the Reports can be printed incidentally at practically no cost. It may be that there are some special reasons for the publication of the Western India Report, which did not suggest themselves to the Board and that no one has thought of presenting in correspondence. If there are such, I know the Board would be glad to take them into consideration.

The Board voted, as requested by the Mission to approve the continuance of the plans balance of 190 rupees, Class VII., Panhala Station, to cover the repairs which were not completed during the fiscal year 1899-1900.

An appropriation of \$50 was made for Charles Tedford to supplement the appropriation of \$100, this extra \$50 having been omitted by mistake and being due because of Charles' presence in the United States and the presence of his father and mother on the field.

We are all greatly distressed at the prospect of continued suffering from famine. The Church here was rejoicing at the prospect of good crops in India and end of this time of bitter trial for the people and of strain and responsibility for you. You will keep us informed, will you not, regarding the conditions, so that if more relief is necessary, we can, if possible, secure some. Mr. Rand has a small balance of famine funds on hand, which can be drawn upon in case of further need. No further contributions however are coming in for general famine relief in India. What we are getting now is toward the support of famine orphans. We have received quite a little on this account. I hope that we may hear soon in reply to the questions asked in my letter of October 10th, with reference to the number of orphans who have been taken by the Mission or by individual members of it, how they are distributed, how supported, what further expense that will be necessary for their maintenance and all other facts that will help us to understand the situation. We are receiving small contributions constantly and are at some disadvantage in dealing with the donors because of our not knowing just where the orphans are in India, how many there are in each place, and how much provision has been made for them. Many people who



give want to know the missionary under whose care the orphan is to be, and thus far we have been obliged to act somewhat at random in the matter and are anxious to organize, so as to save you as much as possible and to satisfy the donors as much as possible. Thus far we have received money for five orphans, which we have told givers will be applied to orphans under the care of Miss Brown, for six orphans under the care of Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, and for ten boys and two girls who we have told the givers will be under the care of the Mission's Famine Committee, the Rev. G. W. Seiler, Chairman. The names from whom these donations were sent to us were as follows: - For the five under Miss Brown, Miss Lydia E. Bird, Clayton, Mich; Miss E. S. Emlauf (4 girls), 31 E. Mt. Airy Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.; <sup>six</sup> ~~thirteen~~ <sup>& Mrs.</sup> under Mr. Hannum J. H. Baldwin (2 Boys) Mifflintown? Pa., Mrs. F. H. Coughlan (1) Weston, Platte Co., Mo., Mrs. Sarah J. Kithcart (1) 429 So. 3d St., Steubenville, Ohio, Alfred G. Hood C. E. Soc., Corning, N.Y., Mrs. DeHorsburgh, 1517 Earlyton Sgt., San Francisco, Cal., for the ~~thirteen~~ under the Famine Committee: Mrs. J. B. Moore Brister (10 boys), 616 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md., Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Daman (1 boy, 1 girl), Winnebago City, Minn.; Mr. A. L. Howe, Sab. Sch Petrolia, Pa.

As you will see from the enclosed leaflet, we have tried to protect you from the voracious demand for photographs of the orphans and full letters about them. We have received quite a little money that it has not been necessary to allocate to any particular orphans, but it is not improbable that you may hear from these people whose names I have mentioned. If you are taking care of these orphans for whom they have sent contributions by the use of the regular famine funds, you can regard these special gifts as the sources

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of the money paid out in support of twenty-four children. These people have not asked that you take on extra orphans beyond those already taken, but only that they should have the privilege of supporting the orphans whom you have been obliged to care for.

I know how troublesome this whole matter is, and we want to save you in every way., If you will send the information asked for I think we can do this, while at the same time we satisfy the people who want to give for this purpose and thus identify them with our own mission work instead of having them send their money through the Christian Herald or some outside agency.

The care of these orphans must be a great burden to you and I hope that none of you are over-taxing yourselves.

The request for the new missionaries and new property will be considered : The first in connection with similar classes from other missions, and the second in connection with the appropriations. With reference to the two bungalows asked for the Village Settlement and for the Vengurle, I suppose that the former will have to wait until the location of the Settlement is determined upon, and as for the latter, is there no possibility of taking advantage of the famine funds to provide it?

Every few days Mrs. Ferris and Mr. Simonson and I are likely to meet and have a little talk about Western India. Their hearts are with you and I hope you may some time have them again in the work, and perhaps at some future time the way may open for Mrs. Hull to return, although naturally each year makes this less likely.

The new outfit suggestions which have been made up will be very useful and we shall have copies made to give to any new missionaries.



The revised copy of the mission rules and constitution kindly prepared by Mr. Hannum has been received. I think the mission is to be congratulated on the care and judgment with which it has ~~been~~ ~~kindly~~ carrying on its work. We have been especially impressed with the conscientious and painstaking handling of the famine problem, as indicated in the various actions contained in the Mission Minutes.

What has caused us all even greater rejoicing, however, has been the outpouring of God's Spirit upon the work at Kodoli and Wadgaon. We have received from the Philadelphia Women's Board, Miss Brown's letter of October 14th and have rejoiced in the statements in the Reports. The Furrukhabad Mission has been blessed by great and large ingatherings by two of its fields also. Let us pray that this may be but the beginning, after the drought of long years we are to receive at last the blessed rain!

I have much pleasure in reporting to you that Dr. Brown expects to sail from San Francisco early in March, on a visit to some of the Missions <sup>in</sup> ~~in~~ Asia. We will leave the offices here early in February, in order to carry out an extensive missionary campaign on the Pacific Coast before sailing. He is going out especially with reference to the situation in China and the Siam and Laos Missions, but of course will take all the time that he can to visit the Missions in Japan, Korea, India and particularly Syria. He is in charge here of the correspondence with the Peking and Shantung Missions in China, and also with the Siam and Laos and the Syria Missions. He hopes also to go to the Philippines, to consult with the missionaries there as they lay their plans for their work for the future. I think he will go to India about the first of February

and leave about the 20th, from there go to <sup>on</sup> Syria. I have not given up the hope of getting out to India for a Winter. Indeed, if Dr. Brown had not been going this year, I might have succeeded in getting out to India this Winter. Dr. Barton, of the American Board, is going out to visit their Missions, reaching Ceylon, I believe, in May.

Some time ago the question arose in one of our Missions, as to whether the return of missionaries to the United States whose own health was good and whose furloughs were not due, on account of the sickness of their children, was to be encouraged or regarded as a just expenditure of mission funds. Some divergencies of view arose over this question, which was twice considered by the Board, and regarding which the following action was at last taken which is simply an affirmation of what is already in the Manual:

"In reply to certain requests from the Hainan Mission, it was voted that Board cannot assume the responsibility of bringing missionary families to the United States on account of health of children. Its responsibilities in the matter of traveling expenses are defined in the Manual. It provides for the regular furlough of missionaries, Manual paragraph 17 and 18; for their return on account of their own health when required, Paragraph 17, and when they withdraw from the work, Paragraph 31. It provides for the traveling expenses of children to and from the field, as specified in paragraph 34. Beyond this, the Board feels that it is not proper to go in the use of mission funds in, providing furloughs and traveling expenses on account of health, or in the case of children.

You will be glad to see from the enclosed financial statement that the contributions for the month of December show a great advance. In this increase can be kept up, we shall come through the year in splendid shape, and be able to add largely to the appropriations next year. This certainly should be the result. The country is very prosperous, bonds and stocks here in New York have in many cases increased from twenty- to seventy-five per cent. in value since the Election. We ought to feel the effect of all this prosper-



ity in our mission receipts.

The Twentieth Century Fund is likely to yield some results, although we do not expect very much for it. Such funds yield their best results in local enterprises. At the same time, we are taking advantage of the Movement, and hope to secure not a little from it. You will have heard of the Movement to greatly reduce the indebtedness on the Presbyterian Building. \$300,000 has been given on condition that \$200,000 more should be secured. If this indebtedness can be canceled, it will mean an increase in the receipts of the Board each year equivalent to the interest upon it. It may not mean this immediately, because some of this money is given conditional upon the payment of annuities during the lifetime of the donors, but ultimately it will mean just this.

The reports of the Ecumenical Missionary Conference have at last been published. The Board has taken 250 copies for the use of the missionaries, and some other copies are being provided for, so that it will be possible to send a copy of the report to practically every household in our Missions. Where two or three are living together, only one set will be sent. But I think that the arrangement we have made will bring a copy of this invaluable report within the reach of each one of you. It is a magnificent book, and those who could not be at the Conference can almost reproduce it with these two volumes in their hands. I hope that they may be a great help and stimulus to you.

I was studying a while ago, for a little Bible lesson, the subject of Jesus and the will of God, and I got a great deal of help from thinking over Jesus' relation to the will of God and the place that He gave it in His life, and the blessings that came to Him from making it the ruling principle both of His prayer and of His work.

Would not the same relation to the will of God, I asked myself, be for  
 us what it did for Jesus. It delivered him from all fear. Surely, as  
 nothing can intimidate the will of God, nothing can intimidate me if  
 I am set in it. Because there is not fitfulness or vacillation in  
 God's will, Jesus' complete adoption into it brought him perfect  
 steadiness of life and composure of heart. Doing it, he never changed  
 his plans or amended his doctrine or altered his project. He was and  
 did at the end what he had been and had done from the beginning, and  
 nothing could move the calm of his reposeful rest in the will of God.  
 You know that sweet hymn of Whittier's, in which he prays, "forgive  
 our feverish ways". Would not the will of God lift us as it lifted  
 Jesus above such ways? If we could do the will of God as Jesus did  
 it/ would we not have such power also as he had? for it must be that  
 God will do his will through men who will do God's will. Often times  
 I think we lose the glory of all this, because we reduce the idea of  
 doing God's will to mere submission. We give up things we would like  
 to have, or we do things we do not want to do because it, is the will  
 of God. Surely the joy of it is that we are not intended to submit  
 ourselves to a power above our own, but to enter into partnership  
 with a power greater than our own, and stand thus complete in all the  
 will of God in every good work doing his will, and thus entering into  
 his perfect will of gladness for us, of perfect fellowship, of mighty  
 power in prayer, and of eternal and abiding life. Would that it were  
 as easy to incorporate this blessed teaching into our life as it is  
 to discover it in the life of Christ!

Praying that the will of God may be perfected in you, and  
 that you may be perfected in the will of God and with kind regards  
 to all, I am,

Your sincere friend,



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January 25, 1901.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,  
Miraj, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Dr. Wanless:

Your note of December 26th, announcing the receipt of our cablegram granting permission to proceed with additional buildings is just received. You will see in the mission letter, which I am sending to Mr. Graham, the Secretary of the Station, by the preceding mail, speaking more fully of the various actions which have been taken by the Board, in consequence of the requests of the mission. I am glad the Lord has been able to act favorably on so many of these.

The 5000 rupees, necessary for the purchase of materials for the new wards, was promised by Mr. Converse, as soon as your letters to him and to us came. He sent us \$2000 gold, as part of his contribution to the Twentieth Century Fund, which he desired applied to the purchase of these materials, the balance to be used as we thought best. We have used it toward meeting the expenses of the hospital for this present fiscal year under the appropriations. The 1500 rupees which you had received on the field, I wrote to Mr. Converse about, but he did not wish to withdraw any of his gift. Those can be turned in toward the materials which leaves only 3500 rupees to be provided from Mr. Converse's gift, the balance of which we have applied to the appropriations for Class VI, Miraj in this present fiscal year.

I have a number of good letters from you, which I have not

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yet answered, dated November 8th, 15th and 29th. Your longer letter of November 8th refers to the new wards, the other to the famine conditions. I am very much obliged for this. Everything of this sort is useful and it is astonishing how little we have received. Mr. Abbott of the American Board Mission, who is more instrumental than any one else in working up the famine relief, was distressed beyond measure at the scanty reports he could get from the field. Of course it is natural enough, because you all get, used to it and do not think of writing to others about what is so monotonously familiar to you.

I want to thank you for your letter of November 15th, regarding self-support of medical mission work. I shall have it copied to put with other replies bearing on the same subject. There has been a good deal of difference of opinion among missionaries as to the place which self-support should have in medical missions, but I think the great majority of them share your views.

The letter to the mission communicates the Board's action with reference to the medical class. Of course the appropriations for it will be included in the regular appropriations and will be a part of the mission work, in just the same way as the hospital and schools are. I hope that the men who are trained in the class may become truly good and useful men and that they may help to make the native church a strong self-supporting church. So long as the individual members of a church are not self-supporting, there is little likelihood that the Church will be.

I have a copy of the Dnyanodaya for September 27th, containing a communication from Mr. Seiler regarding the baptism of Mr. Covande and his family. I hope that he is still standing firm and that

he may become a useful and effective Christian worker. What with brahmas baptized in Miraj and hundreds of village folk in Kodoli, it does seem as though at last the Heavens which have been so brazen over the Western India Mission were to break and let down their rains of blessing upon those who have worked so long and with such patience and fidelity.

Miss Hamilton, as you will learn from the mission letter, got home in much better condition than I suspect you on the field dared hope she would. She seemed to have been very weak in Italy, but the journey across the Atlantic was a real help to her. We have heard from her once since she reached New Mexico but not since. I have been expecting a letter all this week from her. .

I hope that you and Mrs. Wanless are well. The picture which I received of the medical class, with you and Dr. Hardin, shows that you have not become emaciated at any rate. I hope that you are as healthy and fat as you are in appearance and that God is blessing you in all your life work.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,



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The Rev. E. M. Wilson,

Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Wilson:

I am sending you herewith for the Sangli Station a copy of the mission letter, but must send a brief note with it in answer to your note of November 16th. I was interested in what you said about your proposed plan for the orphanage buildings. It seemed to be a wise plan. How many orphan boys have you? How old are they, and from your experience with them, how do they compare in character and ability and promise with the boys you usually have in your school? In the Northern India Missions, there was some opposition to the orphanages on the ground that the quality of the children which they gathered in was inferior and that the same amount of money and time might be much more profitably expended on the sons and daughters of Christians, or on boys and girls more carefully selected. I shall be interested to know what your judgment in this matter is, after you have had some experience with the famine orphans.

I hope that we can have soon the full information asked for with reference to the famine orphans. Doubtless the matter was snowed under by the avalanche of news that came down on the mission meeting and required attention. You will let us know further, will you not, as you know further yourself, about the famine conditions? If we make any further appeal here, it must be on the basis of careful and accurate information.



I was speaking up in Harlem at a church last evening and had the pleasure of seeing your sister in the audience and speaking just a few words with her at the close. I hope that you and your family are very well and that the showers of blessing which have begun to fall at Kodoli may fall all over the mission. Of course the baptism of such people involves many problems and means a great deal of hard work, but that is true of the baptism of any class of people. Problems of that kind of work are no greater, while they are much more joyous than the problems of the work where there are no baptisms or very few.

With kind regards,

P. S. The mission letter was sent off in the preceding mail.

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January 25, 1901.

The Rev. J. P. Graham,  
M i r a j, India.

My dear Mr. Graham:

Your splendid letter of November 18th was received some time ago. Part of it has been already used as you will see in the enclosed leaflet entitled "Lights and Shadows in Foreign Missions for the Year 1900". I have also made a copy of almost all of the letter and sent it to Mr. Coyle in Toledo. He wrote that the people had not heard from you and said that the people were becoming a little restless. I wrote telling him how busy you were and also telling him that I had heard that you had not been very well. Mr. Seiler in a postal card dated December 14th, wrote as having found you upset by a bilious attack. Possibly before this you will have written to the church, but, as you will remember, its support of Dr. Reed in China fell through because they did not hear from you and Mr. Coyle fears that even with the attachment they formed for you when you were in Toledo, they will not keep the matter up unless they receive at least a quarterly letter from you. I hope that you can manage to write to them at least as often as this. Whenever you wish, if you will in your letters to me, just say that you wish them copied and sent to Mr. Coyle, I shall be glad to do it. But you know how it is in correspondence, people like to get letters sent directly to them. While it means just that much extra burden, I hope you can manage to carry it. I always try to shame churches into feeling that it is disgraceful that they should expect the mis-

Western Hill

February 1, 1941.

Dr. W. J. Williams,

Miraj,

Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Dr. Williams:

Miss Spining, the daughter of the Rev. George L. Spining, D. D. of South Orange, N. J. was in to talk to me on Monday regarding some work she wants to do as a memorial to her sister, who died last May. She wanted to support a bed in a hospital, perhaps sometime in the future, provide enough for its endowment. She preferred to take up such an object in India and I advised her to do it in connection with the Miraj hospital. She thinks she could manage to give, I believe, about \$100 a year less or more. I told her I felt confident that this was ample to maintain a bed for a year, but that I would write to you about it. What do you estimate to be the cost of maintaining a bed? Of course the money would be a part of the regular appropriations for the hospital. It would be just an assignment to Miss Spining of the special support of the hospital.

She is very much interested in the idea, having been devoted to her sister and feeling sure that this is just what her sister would like to have her do. She would like to put a picture on the wall and perhaps send out a picture of her sister, which she would hang on the wall, and from time to time she would like to hold a meeting that would be pleasant for the doctor and nurse of the hospital. Can all this be managed for her?

She would like to begin with the new fiscal year, 1941/42.



If you can supply with her a direct letter, and can assign to her under your instructions for the next fiscal year, an amount equivalent to what you regard as the support of a boy, and she can send out to you such things as she wishes you to use in more or less in notifying it as far as possible.

I hope that you and Mrs. Carlson are doing well and that all the best goes for and prosperously. I have been working with the most intense interest the reports of the various missions for the past year. I don't think I have ever read more interesting or effective reports.

With kindest regards,

Very cordially yours,

February 5th, 1901.

Miss Mary Hamilton,

Deming, New Mexico.

My Dear Miss Hamilton:-

I have delayed answering your letter of January 22nd until after the Board meeting, which was held yesterday. At that time it was voted to accept your resignation, though with great regret at the necessity of your withdrawal from the work, and a retiring allowance equivalent to four months' home allowance, or \$150, was made. Mr. Hand will forward this to you. I would express also, on behalf of the Board, our deep sympathy with you, and our cordial desire to do anything we can at any time to be of service to you. I am writing to the Rev. B. L. Agnew, D. D., Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, commending you to the interest of the Board of Ministerial Relief, of which he is the Secretary. Any communication, however, ought to come from you directly to the Board. I think I wrote to you that foreign missionaries are entitled to just the same care of the Board of Ministerial Relief when they are broken down in the service of the Church, to which home ministers are entitled, and I am sure that Dr. Agnew would be glad to hear from you, and to do in behalf of his Board whatever could be done.

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Dear Mr. Wilson,

as I work, I should be glad. I shall speak to them with reference to you, and if at any time you would like to write directly to them, you could address Mrs. L. F. Pierson, Woman's Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

I am glad you saw Mrs. Giles and Miss De Nottbeck when you were here, and especially that you found Miss De Nottbeck so cordial and interested.

I see the little mission paper The Poona Indian Village Mission, and Mr. Moorhead I know very well.

The full reports of the Mission's work for the last year as presented at the Mission Meeting, were received some little time ago, and I have just read through the five Station reports. They are simply admirable, and awaken the liveliest interest in the work.

With kind regards, and hoping that you may gain steadily, and soon feel quite comfortable and strong, and trusting that you will let us hear from you at any time, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

April 5th, 1901.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:

I enclose herewith the appropriations for the fiscal year 1901-1902. They provide all the funds asked for in Classes I & II, \$27,000, and Rupees 4152. For Classes IV to VII, exclusive of Class VIII, they provide what was appropriated at the beginning of last year, with eight per cent. additional, or a total of Rupees, 25,950.

The appropriations asked for in Class VIII, for land and house at Venguele, and land and house and dispensary for the Village Settlement, the money for this last to be specially given, the Board has not been able to make, having been hard pressed for sufficient funds for the native work, and preferring to continue to rent at Venguele for the present, if this is practicable. As for the Village Settlement, it preferred to wait further information from the Mission as to the plans for the Settlement; and in any event it was not in a financial position to provide large appropriations at present.

The total appropriations for the new year are \$925,000, and amount nearly \$43,000. in advance of the amount authorized at the beginning of last year. We have felt that the Finance Committee, taking hold of the situation with real faith in progressing work, would increase.

With reference to new missionaries, it is impossible at



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present to say how many the Board will be able to send. The Missions ask for an extraordinary number this year, I think about seventy young men and as many single women. On the list of those whom the Board voted to send if they could be found, are one ordained man and two single women to the Western India Mission. This seems to be an insignificant response to the urgent appeals of the Mission, but I almost begin to feel that we shall have occasion for gratitude if we are able to find as many missionaries as this for the Western India Mission. There seems to be no prospect that we shall get as many men as are on the list which the Board would feel that it would be finally justified in becoming responsible for.

In accordance with the Mission's request, Mr. Irwin has been authorized to secure from personal friends the funds necessary for the stereopticon.

We have received some contributions from two very generous and devoted men in Pennsylvania toward the support of Famine Orphans. Mr. E. O. Emerson, of Titusville, who sent us money for the support of one hundred, and Edward B. Sturgis, Esq., of Scranton, for one hundred more. We have assigned Mr. Emerson and Mr. Sturgis 200 of the children under the care of the Western India Mission. They do not condition their gifts as the Christian Herald does, and will, I am sure, be quite willing to have them devoted to the support of any children under the care of the Mission as Famine Waifs. They both of course wish some information regarding their children, and if they could be given 200 of the little ones at Kadali, and a photograph of each 100 could be sent to them, I think it would be very helpful. Mr. [unclear] is also taking care of 100 in the Lodiana and Farrakhabad Mis-

Rev. R. W. Sailer, S.

sion, at Hoshyerpore, Saharanpur and Mowah. Both of these men are wealthy and exceedingly generous, and I earnestly hope that the Mission will charge some one with the special duty of corresponding with them, or that Miss Brown can take it up in case the suggestion that they be given 200 of the Redoli children commends itself to you. Please write immediately to them, and if you can send the photographs send them also the names of the children, and any information that may deepen and establish their interest.

Since writing to you last the following orphans have been given to the various persons at home wishing to contribute to the support, and insisting on knowing the name of the missionary under whose care their orphan would be. Where Mr. Sailer's name was mentioned, it was done because of his position on the Committee, knowing that he could make some special assignment even though he had no orphans under his immediate care. We have assigned one girl to A. McIntyre, Laporte, Larimer County, Colorado, under Rev. J. W. Sailer; Lima S.S. Ohio, through Mrs. Farwell, under Dr. Wanless; one girl to the C. E. Society of the Church of the Covenant, care A. Leonard Gould, 16 So. Canal Street, Chicago, under Rev. E. M. Wilson; one orphan Sunday School, care A. E. Saxey, El Reno, Ok. T., Under Mr. Sailer; two orphans to Woman's Society, Westtown, N. Y., care Miss Baidie Parrshall, 15 Sullivan Street, Port Jarvis, N. Y., under care Dr. Wilson; one boy to Miss Emma VanKeuren, 175 Division Street, Amsterdam, N. Y. under Mr. Sailer; one girl to the Junior C. E. Society, care Rev. J. W. Waddell, Deerfield, Tenn., under Mr. Jolly; one child to Miss Sadie Barker, Scranton, Penna, under Miss Brown; one girl to Miss Fannie T. Gifford, 31 East 11th Street, Philadelphia, under Miss

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Crown; and boy to Miss Elizabeth LeBarce, Daylestone, Penna., under Mr. Wiley. I am sorry for all the trouble that this involves to you, but you know that we are doing the best we can to protect you, and to save you from needless correspondence.

We have learned with deep grief of the death of Mrs. Graham. We have not as yet reported it to the Board, because we were in hopes that the first report was mistaken; but a letter from Mr. Graham confirms it. I have written to Mr. Graham, expressing our loving sympathy with him and his daughter in their great loss and sorrow. We rejoice to think of them as being together at this time. If Mr. Graham had returned to India alone, surely his burden would have seemed greater than he could bear. We pray often for them, and shall continue to pray for them that the God of all comfort may comfort their hearts and give them His peace.

The Board has been deeply interested in the movement toward Presbyterian union in India. We shall pray that God's Spirit may guide in all that is done, and make the new Church a power in the land.

There are many letters received from members of the Mission with reference to the need of new missionaries and other phases of the work, which I should like to touch on here, if it were not desirable to make haste in order to get the appropriations off in the next mail. I shall try to answer all these letters personally.

Wherein the appropriations as are now made for the new year are inadequate, we do not hope that special help from God may be vouchsafed, and that the work of the new year in all its departments may be richly blessed of Him.

With warm regards to all.

Your sincere friend,

*Wm. H. Allen*



# APPROPRIATIONS FOR WESTERN INDIA.

1901-1902.  
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KOLHAPUR.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

### SALARIES:

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Rev. G. W. Seiler,  | \$ 1080.    |
| Rev. J. M. Goheen,  | 1080.       |
| Miss Esther Patton, | <u>540.</u> |
|                     | 2700.       |

### CHILDREN:

|                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Mr. Seiler, (2) | 200.        |
| Mr. Goheen, (1) | <u>100.</u> |
|                 | 300.        |

\$ 3000.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

### CHILDREN:

|                          |             |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Mr. Seiler, (2)          | \$ 300.     |
| Mr. Goheen, (2)          | 300.        |
| Mr. Goheen, (1 - 8 mos.) | <u>100.</u> |
|                          | 700.        |

### Freight & Travel:

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| John P. Seiler,    | Rs. 924. |
| Francis A. Goheen, | 462.     |

\$ 700.00  
 Rs. 1386.

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

Rupees.

### BIBLE WOMEN:

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Punabai S. Ismailasekh, | 84.        |
| Radhabai P. Jadhav,     | 84.        |
| P. Jadhav,              | <u>84.</u> |
|                         | 252.       |

### OTHER HELPERS:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Sidaram P. Jadhav, | 90. |
|--------------------|-----|

### ITINERATING:

150.

Rs. 492.

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## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

Rupees.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

Girls' Christian School.

Teachers:

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| One new one,            | 300.         |
| Anarda L. Padaghalamal, | 210.         |
| N. L. Sangaliker,       | 180.         |
| Krishna Sevekari,       | 144.         |
| Hannabai Simhasan,      | 72.          |
| Anandabai D. Jadhan,    | 60.          |
| Pupil Teachers,         | 36.          |
| Incidentals,            | 150.         |
| Watchman,               | 72.          |
| Board, etc.,            | <u>3600.</u> |

4824.

Receipts on field,

50.

4774.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Kolhapur Sukravar Boys'.

Vithoba Hajare, 138.

Balavant Phadanis, 96.

Furniture, etc. 15.

249.

Aditavar, Girls'.

New Teacher, 84.

Woman to bring girls, 36.

Prizes, furniture, etc. 35.

155.

Mangalavar, Boys'.

Somasankara Tatapati, 250.

250.

Somavar, Girls'.

Santabai Hajare, 84.

Chandrabai Chavan, 72.

Prizes, furniture, etc. 35.

191.

Mahar Vada, Boys'.

Dnyani Apaji, 220.

Furniture, etc., 15.

235.

Heralo, Boys'.

Tukaram Kambale, 235.

Furniture, etc., 15.

250.

Halundi Boys'.

Sugandh Battalelu, 195.

Furniture, etc., 5.

200.

200.

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## CLASS V. Continued.

| DAY SCHOOLS:             | Rupees.    |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Kini, Boys' .            |            |
| Meghasam Jadhan,         | 150.       |
| Furniture, etc.,         | <u>15.</u> |
|                          | 200.       |
| Majagan, Boys'.          |            |
| Ananda Ranabhise,        | 170.       |
| Furniture, etc.          | <u>15.</u> |
|                          | 185.       |
| OTHER SCHOOLS:           |            |
| Tirapani Reading School, | 72.        |

Rs. 6726.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| School Houses,         |            |
| Kolhapur, Sonavar,     | 36.        |
| Kini,                  | <u>36.</u> |
|                        | 72.        |
| Receipts on the field, | <u>72.</u> |

## TAXES:

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Missionary Dwellings,   | 31.       |
| Water, Boarding School, | 24.       |
| Other buildings,        | <u>8.</u> |
|                         | 63.       |

## REPAIRS:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Missionary Dwellings, | 200.        |
| Other Buildings,      | <u>250.</u> |
|                       | 450.        |

513.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

|           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| Expenses, | 50. |
|-----------|-----|

## BOOKS &amp; PRINTING:

40.

## STATIONERY &amp; POSTAGE.

40.

130.



## SUMMARY FOR KOLHAPUR STATION.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES.      |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 3000.00 |              |
| CLASS II.  | 700.00     | 1386.        |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 492.         |
| CLASS V.   |            | 6726.        |
| CLASS VII. |            | 513.         |
| CLASS IX.  |            | <u>130.</u>  |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 3700.00 |              |
|            | Rs. 1386.  | <u>7861.</u> |

# APPROPRIATIONS FOR RATNAGIRI.

1901-1902.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

### SALARIES:

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Rev. J. M. Irwin, (6 mos.)  | \$ 540.     |
| Rev. A. L. Wiley,           | 1080.       |
| Rev. A. W. Marshall,        | 720.        |
| Miss V. E. McArthur, M. D., | <u>540.</u> |
|                             | 2880.       |

\$ 2880.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

### HOME ALLOWANCE:

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Rev. J. M. Irwin, (5 mos.) | \$ 375.     |
| Miss Minor,                | 450.        |
| Miss Jefferson,            | <u>450.</u> |
|                            | 1275.       |

### FREIGHT & TRAVEL:

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Rev. J. M. Irwin, | Rs. 1848. |
|-------------------|-----------|

\$ 1275.00  
Rs. 1848.

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

Rupees.

### BIBLE WOMEN:

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| To be appointed, | 96. |
|------------------|-----|

### OTHER HELPERS:

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Govind S. Malap, | 228.        |
| To be appointed, | <u>228.</u> |
|                  | 456.        |

### ITINERATING:

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| For the Station, | 330. |
|------------------|------|

Rs. 882.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

### DAY SCHOOLS:

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Ratnagiri, Girls',    |            |
| Ramachandra Jhingade, | 186.       |
| Furniture, etc.,      | <u>40.</u> |
|                       | 226.       |

### OTHER SCHOOLS:

|                 |     |          |
|-----------------|-----|----------|
| Reading school, | 36. | Rs. 262. |
|-----------------|-----|----------|

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## CLASS HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

|                   | Rupees. |          |
|-------------------|---------|----------|
| ASSISTANTS:       |         |          |
| One servant,      | 60.     |          |
| MEDICINES:        |         |          |
| Per Dr. McArthur, | 500.    |          |
| EXPENSES:         |         |          |
| Rent, Dispensary, | 60.     |          |
|                   |         | Rs. 620. |

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

|                         |      |      |
|-------------------------|------|------|
| RENTS:                  |      |      |
| Dwelling,               | 360. |      |
| TAXES:                  |      |      |
| Missionaries' Dwelling, | 13.  |      |
| REPAIRS:                |      |      |
| Missionaries' Dwelling, | 150. |      |
|                         |      | 523. |

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                              |              |       |
|------------------------------|--------------|-------|
| MISSION MEETINGS:            |              |       |
| Traveling,                   | 200.         |       |
| BOOKS & PRINTING:            | 30.          |       |
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE:        |              |       |
| Mission Treasurer's,         | 75.          |       |
| SANITARIUMS:                 |              |       |
| Traveling allowance,         | 300.         |       |
| For the Mission,             | <u>2000.</u> |       |
|                              | 2300.        |       |
| PERSONAL TEACHERS:           |              |       |
| Mr. and Mrs. Wiley,          | 150.         |       |
| Dr. McArthur & Mr. Marshall, | <u>210.</u>  |       |
|                              | 360.         |       |
| TRAVELING:                   |              |       |
| Transfers, etc.,             | 250.         |       |
|                              |              | 3215. |



## SUMMARY FOR RATSAGIRI.

|            | Gold.      | Rupees.      |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 2880.00 |              |
| CLASS II.  | 1275.00    |              |
|            | Rs. 1848.  |              |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 982.         |
| CLASS V.   |            | 262.         |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 620.         |
| CLASS VII. |            | 523.         |
| CLASS IX.  |            | <u>3215.</u> |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 4155.00 |              |
|            | Rs. 1848.  | <u>5502.</u> |

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR VENGURLE.

1901-1902.  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:-

|                    |            |            |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Rev. W. H. Hannum, | \$ 1080.00 |            |
| CHILDREN:          |            |            |
| Mr. Hannum, (2)    | 200.00     |            |
|                    |            | \$ 1280.00 |

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

|                      |      |          |
|----------------------|------|----------|
| BIBLE WOMEN:         |      | Rupees.  |
| One to be appointed, | 96.  |          |
| OTHER HELPERS:       |      |          |
| Belavant Salavi,     | 219. |          |
| ITINERATING:         | 100. |          |
|                      |      | Rs. 415. |

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

|              |      |      |
|--------------|------|------|
| DAY SCHOOLS: |      |      |
| Vengurle,    | 230. |      |
|              |      | 230. |

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

|                 |             |      |
|-----------------|-------------|------|
| RENTS:          |             |      |
| Two dwellings,  | 720.        |      |
| Preaching room, | 60.         |      |
|                 | <u>780.</u> |      |
|                 |             | 780. |

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                                 |      |      |
|---------------------------------|------|------|
| MISSION MEETINGS:               |      |      |
| Traveling,                      | 100. |      |
| BOOKS & PRINTING:               | 20.  |      |
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE:           | 30.  |      |
| MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:              | 100. |      |
| SALEITARIUMS:                   | 150. |      |
| PERSONAL TEACHERS: Mrs. Hannum. | 75.  |      |
|                                 |      | 475. |

## SUMMARY FOR VENGURLE.

|            | GOLD.     | RUPES.       |
|------------|-----------|--------------|
| CLASS I.   | ₹ 1280.00 |              |
| CLASS IV.  |           | 415.         |
| CLASS V.   |           | 230.         |
| CLASS VII. |           | 780.         |
| CLASS IX.  |           | <u>475.</u>  |
| TOTAL.     | ₹ 1280.00 | <u>1900.</u> |



## APPROPRIATIONS FOR KODOLI.

1901-1902.  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Rev. L. B. Tedford, (11 mos.) | \$ 990.00     |
| Dr. A. S. Wilson,             | 1080.00       |
| Miss A. A. Brown, (11 mos.)   | <u>495.00</u> |
|                               | 2565.00       |

## CHILDREN:

|                 |        |            |
|-----------------|--------|------------|
| Dr. Wilson, (2) | 200.00 |            |
|                 |        | \$ 2765.00 |

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## CHILDREN:

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Mr. Tedford, (1) | \$ 100.00 |
|------------------|-----------|

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

|             |          |           |
|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Miss Brown, | Rs. 924. |           |
|             |          | \$ 100.00 |
|             |          | Rs. 924.  |

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## LITERATING:

|              | Rupees. |          |
|--------------|---------|----------|
| The Station, | 200.    |          |
|              |         | Rs. 200. |

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Kodoli, Boys'.        |            |
| Yohann S. Ranabhise,  | 198.       |
| Furniture, etc.,      | <u>12.</u> |
|                       | 204.       |
| Kodoli, Girls' No. 1, |            |
| Savadabai Sakhoba,    | 78.        |
| Assistant teacher,    | 60.        |
| Pupil Teachers,       | 48.        |
| Woman to bring girls, | 36.        |
| Furniture, etc.,      | <u>50.</u> |
|                       | 272.       |

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| CLASS V, Continued,     |            | Rupees. |
|-------------------------|------------|---------|
| DAY SCHOOLS:            |            |         |
| Kodoli, Girls' No. 2.   |            |         |
| Teacher,                | 60.        |         |
| Pupil teachers,         | 24.        |         |
| Woman to bring girls,   | 24.        |         |
| Furniture, etc.,        | <u>30.</u> |         |
|                         |            | 153.    |
| Muralap, Boys',         |            |         |
| Babayi R. Ranabhisce,   | 150.       |         |
| Furniture, etc.,        | <u>12.</u> |         |
|                         |            | 162.    |
| Islamapur, Boys,        |            |         |
| Santoba R. Ranabhisce,  | 184.       |         |
| Krishna Apaji,          | 148.       |         |
| Furniture, etc.,        | <u>24.</u> |         |
|                         |            | 357.    |
| Islamapur Girls',       |            |         |
| Sumatabai Krishnaji,    | 30.        |         |
| Furniture, etc.,        | <u>12.</u> |         |
|                         |            | 42.     |
| Ayatavadi, Boys',       |            |         |
| Teacher,                | 120.       |         |
| Furniture, etc.         | <u>12.</u> |         |
|                         |            | 132.    |
| OTHER SCHOOLS:          |            |         |
| Kodoli, Reading School, | 72.        |         |

Rs. 1379.

# CLASS VI. HOSPITALS & DISPENSARIES.

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| ASSISTANTS:         |            |
| Prabhakar Totapati, | 216.       |
| Compounder,         | 168.       |
| Ward boy, servant,  | 72.        |
| Dispensary servant, | <u>72.</u> |
|                     | 528.       |

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| MEDICINES:             |            |
| Hospital & Dispensary, | 2000.      |
| From fees,             | <u>25.</u> |
|                        | 1975.      |

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| EXPENSES.             |            |
| Water & Lights,       | 120.       |
| Conservancy,          | 100.       |
| Printing forms, etc., | <u>50.</u> |
|                       | 270.       |

2773.

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CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.  
Rupees.

## RENTS:

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Kodoli School-house, | 30.        |
| Borepal "            | 18.        |
|                      | <u>48.</u> |
| Receipts on field,   | 36.        |
|                      | <u>12.</u> |

## TAXES:

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Dwellings, etc.,   | 17.        |
| Land for hospital, | 43.        |
|                    | <u>60.</u> |

## REPAIRS:

|                          |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Sanitarium,              | 250.         |
| Dwellings, Dispensary,   | 250.         |
| School-house into house, | 800.         |
|                          | <u>1300.</u> |

## ATTENDANTS:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Care of buildings, | 72. |
|--------------------|-----|

Rs. 1444.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Rent of lodgings, | 100.        |
| Traveling,        | 50.         |
|                   | <u>150.</u> |

## BOOKS &amp; PRINTING:

25.

## STATIONERY &amp; POSTAGE:

20.

## MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:

150.

345.

## SUMMARY FOR KODOLI.

|            | Gold.      | Rupees.     |
|------------|------------|-------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 2765.00 |             |
| CLASS II.  | 100.00     |             |
|            | Rs. 924.   |             |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 200.        |
| CLASS V.   |            | 1379.       |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 2773.       |
| CLASS VII. |            | 1444.       |
| CLASS IX.  |            | <u>345.</u> |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 2885.00 |             |
|            | Rs. 924.   | 6141. Rs.   |



## APPROPRIATIONS FOR SANGLI.

1901-1902.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Rev. E. M. Wilson, | \$ 1080.00     |
| Mr. John Jolly,    | <u>1080.00</u> |
|                    | 2160.00        |

## CHILDREN:

|                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Mr. Jolly, (2)  | 200.00        |
| Mr. Wilson, (2) | <u>200.00</u> |
|                 | 400.00        |

\$ 2560.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## CHILDREN:

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| Mr. Jolly, (3) | \$ 450.00 |
|----------------|-----------|

450.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

Rupees:

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Dayabai Bhingaradasve, | 90. |
|------------------------|-----|

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Bhandoba Padughalamal, | 224. |
|------------------------|------|

## ITERATING:

125.

Rs. 443.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

## Teachers:

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Apa Hariji,              | 120.  |
| B. Ugari,                | 132.  |
| Ramaji,                  | 108.  |
| Lakshman,                | 108.  |
| Sahasrabuddha,           | 156.  |
| Mallikar,                | 132.  |
| Two to be appointed,     | 264.  |
| Board, clothing, fuel,   |       |
| lights, etc.,            | 5332. |
| Industrial work teacher, | 200.  |
| Two to be appointed,     | 400.  |
| Materials and tools,     | 600.  |

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## CLASS V. Continued.

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Brought forward,   | Rs. 7552.   |
| Receipts on field, | <u>150.</u> |
|                    | 7402.       |

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Sangali, Girls', |     |
| Teacher,         | 60. |
| Sangali, Boys',  |     |
| Teacher,         | 96. |

Rs. 7558.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Agent's Dwelling,  |            |
| Two school-houses, | 36.        |
| Receipts on field, | <u>12.</u> |
|                    | 24.        |

## TAXES:

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Land,         | 37.        |
| Buildings,    | 2.         |
| Mt. Douglass, | <u>95.</u> |
|               | 124.       |

## INSURANCE:

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Industrial workshop, | 30. |
|----------------------|-----|

## REPAIRS:

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Two Dwellings,   | 150.       |
| Other buildings, | 200.       |
| Mt. Douglass,    | <u>75.</u> |
|                  | 425.       |

## ATTENDANTS:

|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Church,       | 24.         |
| Mt. Douglass, | <u>132.</u> |
|               | 156.        |

759.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Traveling expenses, | 60. |
|---------------------|-----|

## BOOKS &amp; PRINTING:

25.

## STATIONERY &amp; POSTAGE:

25.

## MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:

150.

## Personal Teachers:

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Mr. and Mrs. Lilly, | 120.       |
| Mr. Wilson,         | <u>25.</u> |
|                     | 145.       |

405.

## SUMMARY FOR SANGLI.

|            | GOLD.             | RUPEES.      |
|------------|-------------------|--------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 2560.00        |              |
| CLASS II.  | 450.00            |              |
| CLASS IV.  |                   | 443.         |
| CLASS V.   |                   | 7558.        |
| CLASS VII. |                   | 759.         |
| CLASS IX.  |                   | <u>405.</u>  |
| TOTAL.     | <u>\$ 3010.00</u> | <u>9165.</u> |

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR MIRAJ.

1901-1902.

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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Rev. J. P. Graham,    | \$ 1080.00     |
| Dr. W. J. Wanless,    | 1080.00        |
| Miss E. A. Foster,    | 540.00         |
| Miss Isabelle Graham, | 540.00         |
|                       | <u>3240.00</u> |

## CHILDREN:

|                  |        |            |
|------------------|--------|------------|
| Dr. Wanless, (1) | 100.00 | \$ 3340.00 |
|------------------|--------|------------|

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## CHILDREN:

|                 |        |           |
|-----------------|--------|-----------|
| Mr. Graham, (1) | 150.00 | \$ 150.00 |
|-----------------|--------|-----------|

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

Rupees.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Two to be appointed, | 168. |
|----------------------|------|

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Basamtasingh Thakur, | 250.        |
| One to be appointed, | <u>200.</u> |
|                      | 450.        |

## ITINERATING:

200.

Rs. 818.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Boys', Miraj:            |                 |
| Seventabai Pavar,        | 84.             |
| Furniture, etc.          | <u>10. 94.</u>  |
| Girls', Miraj:           |                 |
| Teacher to be appointed, | 120.            |
| Furniture, etc.,         | <u>15. 135.</u> |
| Girls', Miraj:           |                 |
| Sarabai Pavar,           | 84.             |
| Woman to bring girls.    | 36.             |
| Furniture, etc.,         | <u>30. 150.</u> |

Rs. 379.



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## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

Rupees.

## ASSISTANTS:

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Dr. George Harding,     | 1800.       |
| Samson Lazarus,         | 360.        |
| Issac Abraham,          | 360.        |
| Bhikaji Gavande,        | 168.        |
| Nurse, Ramabai Gavande, | 240.        |
| Pupil nurses,           | 150.        |
| Ward boys,              | 360.        |
| Watchman,               | 84.         |
| Cook,                   | 72.         |
| Dispensary servant,     | 72.         |
| Attendants, two,        | 144.        |
| Clerk, Baijuba Thakur,  | 72.         |
| Medical class,          | <u>600.</u> |
|                         | 4482.       |

## MEDICINES:

|                          |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Medicines, etc.,         | 4286.        |
| Receipts on field, fees, | <u>4000.</u> |
|                          | 836.         |

## EXPENSES:

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Taxes, Municipal,     | 50.        |
| Lights & Heating,     | 225.       |
| Books & Printing,     | 50.        |
| Postage & Stationery, | <u>25.</u> |
|                       | 350.       |

Rs. 5068.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Three school-houses, | 72. |
|----------------------|-----|

## TAXES:

|                          |     |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Missionaries' dwellings, | 17. |
|--------------------------|-----|

## REPAIRS:

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Hospital,              | 200.        |
| Dwellings,             | 200.        |
| Extension of verandah, | <u>500.</u> |
|                        | 900.        |

789.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| MISSION MEETINGS:           | 75.  |
| BOOKS & PRINTING:           | 30.  |
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE:       | 30.  |
| Personal Teachers:          |      |
| Miss Graham & Mrs. Manless, | 200. |

535.

SUMMARY FOR MINA

| Gold    | Rubies   |           |
|---------|----------|-----------|
| 3340.00 |          | CLASS I   |
| 100.00  |          | CLASS II  |
|         | 818.     | CLASS IV  |
|         | 378.     | CLASS V   |
|         | 5068.    | CLASS VI  |
|         | 788.     | CLASS VII |
|         | 222.     | CLASS IX  |
| 3430.00 | 7888. R. | TOTAL     |

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

1901-1902.  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                            |             |            |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Miss Grace E. Wilder,      | \$ 500.     |            |
| Miss M. J. Thomson,        | 500.        |            |
| Miss E. E. Scheurman,      | 300.        |            |
| Miss A. L. Giles,          | 300.        |            |
| Miss M. J. Stewart, M. D., | <u>500.</u> |            |
|                            | 1500.       | \$ 1500.00 |

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

## MEDICINES:

|                               | Rupees.     |          |
|-------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Dr. Stewart's work,           | 375.        |          |
| Dr. Stewart's medical outfit, | <u>525.</u> |          |
|                               | 900.        | Rs. 900. |

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                      |      |      |
|----------------------|------|------|
| For Settlement work, | 720. |      |
|                      |      | 720. |

S U M M A R Y.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES.     |
|------------|------------|-------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 1500.00 |             |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 900.        |
| CLASS VII. |            | <u>720.</u> |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 1500.00 | 1620.       |

## SUMMARY FOR RESERVE FUND.

|                         | GOLD.       | RUPEES.        |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| KOLHAPUR.               | \$ 3700.00  |                |
|                         | R. 1366.    | 7861.          |
| RATNAGIRI.              | \$ 4155.00  |                |
|                         | R. 1848.    | 5561.          |
| VERGUELE.               | \$ 1260.00  | 1300.          |
| KODOLI.                 | \$ 3885.00  |                |
|                         | R. 234.     | 6141.          |
| SANGLI.                 | \$ 3010.00  | 9165.          |
| MIRAJ.                  | \$ 4420.00  | 7589.          |
| VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.     | \$ 1530.00  | 1620.          |
| <hr/>                   |             |                |
| TOTAL.                  | \$ 20000.00 |                |
| Subject to cut on       | R. 4158. ✓  | 39578. / 0     |
| Mission of Rupees - - - |             | 13663          |
| <hr/>                   |             |                |
| TOTAL.                  | \$ 20000.00 |                |
|                         | R. 4158.    | 25908. Rupees. |
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## APPROPRIATIONS FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

1901-1902.  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Miss Grace E. Wilder,      | \$ 300.     |
| Miss M. J. Thomson,        | 300.        |
| Miss E. E. Scheurman,      | 300.        |
| Miss A. L. Giles,          | 300.        |
| Miss M. J. Stewart, M. D., | <u>300.</u> |
|                            | 1500.       |

\$ 1500.00

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

## MEDICINES:

|                               | Rupces.     |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Dr. Stewart's work,           | 375.        |
| Dr. Stewart's medical outfit, | <u>525.</u> |
|                               | 900.        |

Rs. 900.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| For Settlement work, | 720. |
|----------------------|------|

720.

S U M M A R Y.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES.     |
|------------|------------|-------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 1500.00 |             |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 900.        |
| CLASS VII. |            | <u>720.</u> |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 1500.00 | 1620.       |

Western India.

April 20, 1901.

The Rev. E. M. Wilson,

Bangli, Bombay Presidency,

India.

My dear Wilson:

Your good letter of March 1st was received a few days ago. I was very glad to get the facts your presence among the famine orphans. I hope we may soon have a complete statement just how many orphans are in each Station, how they are provided for what the actual cost is. It seems exceedingly hard to get this information from the India Missions, although I have asked for it in my three letters. I have not heard from Miss Watson at all on the subject, although Miss Brown has written quite fully regarding the children.

I am writing now to say that we have assigned fifteen boys of those under your care to various classes in the Ocean Ridge Presbyterian Sunday-school, Cranston, R.I. This school has been greatly interested in this work by Edward L. Stimpson, D.D., a lawyer in Cranston, who is himself supporting two hundred famine orphans. He has got about forty or more classes of his school to take orphans also. He asks that pictures be taken of the children and that their names be written on the back of the pictures and be sent him to be kept there three times a year. I know what a job this means and you do not need to be told how strenuous? We work to save you from ever this of this kind, but the appeals of the "Christian Herald" and the letters of the missionaries have greatly stirred up the hearts of the

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people and they want to give, and for the next part they want to give to particular persons. Furthermore, the next year or two will discontinue their giving. We have got in a good deal of money toward the support of these children at the station, says it will certainly stop coming if the donors do not hear. The following are the teachers of the mission, which are going to support the boys at Sangli:

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Mr. E. B. Sturges       | 2 boys |
| Mr. Arthur Derr         | 2 "    |
| Mr. J. T. Matties       | 1 "    |
| Mr. J. A. Leasing       | 1 "    |
| Colonel F. L. Hitchcock | 1 "    |
| Mr. Matties             | 1 "    |
| Miss C. Wade            | 1 "    |
| Mr. J. H. E. Wells      | 1 "    |
| Primary Department      | 2 "    |
| School at large         | 1 "    |
| The Officers            | 1 "    |

We could write with reference to these to Edward B. Sturges, Esq., or to the class, addressing the letters in Mr. Sturges' care.

It may be that you have some money on hand with which to meet the present needs of your orphans, but as soon as you require any more toward the support of any of these or any others which I have written about in previous letters that we had given out under your care, Mr. Handley's charges are at liberty to draw for the purpose, only charging it is added to his as a special charge against the Mission Orphan Fund.

I think that at each station you have a little book opened to keep track of the support of these orphans. I have notified the Mission thus far of all the orphans under its care who had been assigned to special givers here. In rare cases we have assigned orphans directly under this or that missionary, who we understand from the correspondence had charge of them. In some cases, however, we have assigned them under Mr. Sailer, because as we understood, he

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was Chairman of the Committee in London, York. This was in the expectation that he would appoint the organs that assigned or was deemed best.

In every case we have laid the burden of responsibilities for correspondence on the givers at home, but in the case of these foreign givers, I am afraid we shall have to get it to the first. Perhaps if you cannot find time to do it, Mrs. Wilson could do it or perhaps you have some English speaking native who could be charged with this task.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wilson are both well and that your eyes are not troubling you any.

The news of Mrs. Garber's death came as a great shock to us. I can imagine the grief it must have been to you all.

We are getting ready for the General Assembly now. Today is the last day of our fiscal year. You will be glad to know that we are closing the year without deficit. We shall go up into the new year with hopeful hearts.

At once.

Your sincere friend,



April 30, 1901.

The Rev. A. T. Wiley,

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency,

India.

My dear Mr. Wiley:

I write to say that we have assigned fourteen of the orphans under your care to permanent support by classes and individuals in the Sunday School of the Green Ridge Presbyterian Church of Scranton, Pa. That is the Church of which Edward D. Sturges, Esq. is a member. Mr. Sturges is supporting two hundred famine orphans himself, one hundred in the Western India Mission and one hundred in the two Northern Missions. I enclose a list of those contributing for the support of the fourteen orphans under your care and whom we have assigned to the Green Ridge Sunday School.

My understanding is, from your previous letters, that there are forty boys and girls under your care at Ratnagiri and that while you had provision made for some of them, you did not have it made for all. In the absence of any more definite report, we felt that it was safe for us to assume that you could assign fourteen of your children to Mr. Sturges' School, as called for in the enclosed list.

Mr. Sturges is very anxious to hear about the orphans whom he is supporting and whom he has persuaded others to support. He wants to know the name of each and to have a picture of them if possible, and some brief letter occasionally regarding them. If any expense is connected with having these photographs taken, he will be willing, I know, to meet it.

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I hope that you are keeping a book with all your children's names in it, and entered against each child the name of its support, otherwise, confusion will be pretty sure to arise. It would be well to check against each name also the date you are writing about the child, so that you can know when you ought to write again. Mr. Sturges says he does not want long letters, but just little descriptive notes about the children or their doings or their progress.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wiley can do this, and not that you can get some one of the young women of the Woman's and Bible Mission to do it, or if not, some English speaking native worker, if you have one. I do not need to tell you that we try to protect you from all this sort of thing that we condemn and that we would gladly persuade these people to give their money without asking for any letters.

In addition to these children, we sometime ago assigned a boy under your care to Mr. Lowell Chapin of 476 North State Street, Chicago, Ill.

It may be that you have some money on hand with which to meet the present needs of your expenses, but as soon as you receive any more toward the support of any of these or any others which I have written about in previous letters that we had given out under your care, Mr. Haml says that you are at liberty to draw for the purpose, only reporting it immediately to him, as a special charge against the Famine Orphan Fund.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wiley are both very well. I had a pleasant call from Mr. Russell Carter of Cleveland the other day, and we had a little talk about you.

We shall see, I expect before very long now, Miss Minor and

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Miss Jefferson and I will rejoice to learn from you more fully of the work at Fatnagiri.

In writing to any people on the enclosed list you had better address their letter in care of Edward B. Sturges, Esq., Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

Western India.

April 20, 1901.

The Rev. William Hannum,  
Wengurle, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Hannum:

Since I wrote to you last I have received your three letters of December 28th, January 28th and March 11th. The first of these was a brief note, proposing a certain item to be added to the Panhala Estimates. I fear that this item did not get in here, but it would have made no difference whatever in the total appropriations for Western India, and you are at perfect liberty to insert the item on the field, provided only of course that the total of expenditures, including this item are not to exceed the total appropriations. The inclusion of this item in the estimates would not have affected the total granted, for the reason that that was determined not by the requests of the Mission, but by an amount authorized last year, which was increased, as you will have already learned, by an 8% addition, diminished somewhat in some cases and increased in others.

Since writing you last, we have assigned our care of the orphans under your care, this one to the Sunday-school in New, Colorado. The money came to us from Mrs. J. F. Peckham. I am very much obliged to you for your good letter of January 28th, telling about your orphans, and I saw the most beautiful photographs which you sent to Dr. Halsey, I believe.

That same letter was full of most hopeful points about the



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work in your district.

I supposed that the reason for your not using famine funds for bungalow at Vengurle was the one given in report of March 11th, but I could not be sure and I wondered whether, even if there were no famine at Vengurle, famine laborers might not have been taken over there, and perhaps articles secured on the same basis on which they were got for buildings in the famine districts. It certainly would not be proper just to use the famine funds for a bungalow, irrespective of the help that they might give to people suffering from the famine. I am most sorry that the money could not be appropriated by the Board in the new estimates, but I have explained how inadequate the Board's resources were to meet the immense demands from the Missions. You will be glad to know that we are closing the fiscal year without any deficiency.

I have received a letter from Miss Thompson, reporting the decision of the Committee as to a location of the Village Settlement at Palshapur. In reference to your comments on the whole project of this Settlement, I would say that I have been thinking over them a great deal. I don't exactly understand why there should have been such difficulties in the way of the working of the Settlement, but assurance that that is so, that they have to be inseparable from the present organization of the Settlement is of course conclusive. Perhaps, when they get their own location, things will work out a little better. I suspect that one fear that some might have in any change in the organization would be that it would push the salaries of all the young women up to the regular basis. Doubtless when one unmarried woman is keeping house alone, the present salary is not too much, but when one of them is boarding or when a number of them is

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keeping house together, there seems to be reason that it is.

I am very much obliged to you for your clear statement on this case. I am copying it out to put with the other papers on the settlement and hope that we may be able sooner or later to secure all the advantages that the settlement plan contains, while depriving it of its disadvantages or features.

We get at times the difficulties and perplexities of the work must appeal to you. I suppose you often think, as I do, in the midst of such problems, how good it would be if God would just speak to us, and explicitly tell us what to do! And yet, when we stop for second thought, how clear it is to us that this is just the way God would not deal with us. We must be puffed. I do not see how any Christian can escape from this irresistible desire, - by external pressure and direction. We want rules and regulations, and this is just what God knows is best for us not to have, because it would frustrate His whole educational purpose with us which is to bring us to do spontaneously and from our own will, the thing that is right in His eyes. There was an interesting article in a recent number of the Journal of Ethical Literature, by Professor Tixeront, of Cambridge, on the ethical method of Jesus, in which he spoke of this: that "Jesus didn't deal with His disciples as many an instructor, ancient and modern, has dealt with his disciples. He doesn't give them a rigid, and concise collection of rules to be stored up in the memory and obeyed as occasion may require. He puts upon them the task of extracting from the figurative or picturesque oriental axiomatic expressions in which His lessons are couched, the particular direction befitting the diversified temperaments and the constantly changing conditions of individual life. He furnishes the principle. It is

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for the Master to appoint it".

Somebody said once in the presence of Thomas Erskine of Scotland, expressing this restless longing of human hearts, "if we could only have an infallible teacher, or unerring guide". "O no," replied Erskine, "such a thing if it could be would destroy all God's need for us with man, which is to educate him, and to make him feel that he is being educated; to awaken perception in the man himself, a growing perception of what is true and right, which is of the very essence of all spiritual possibilities. Any infallible authority would destroy this, and so take away the meaning of the Church altogether. It is always so forcing us to think in this way over the immense complexities and difficulties of the mission work, and indeed, of all the serious work of life. When we make mistakes which we regret, it is good to believe that we have yet gained something through having been allowed to make those mistakes than if our liberties had been curtailed and we had been saved from mistakes at the price of freedom and that discipline of will which is the result of prayerful struggle to discover the right and to do it. A perfect machine, automatically doing perfect work, admirable as it is, is not as admirable as a free man making his way toward higher things through much trial and tribulation. As some James Thompson says:

I wonder these things,  
And they comfort me.

Although it was one of just these things he was writing.

With warm regards to Mrs. Hermann and yourself, as ever,

Yours, W. W. Wood.

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June 12th, 1901.

The Rev. E. M. Wilson,  
Sangli,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Wilson:-

There is a good woman down in Baltimore, a woman of some peculiarities, who has from time to time sent us money for special causes. She is very much interested now in the famine orphans, and has sent us three hundred dollars for the support of children. This money is credited to the famine orphan fund, and may be drawn against by you on the field for the support of twenty children. Will you please pick them out, and notify Mrs. Bristow, whose address is 618 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md., about them, giving her what information you can? She sent two letters which were to be forwarded to the missionary who would have the disbursement of the money. I enclose these letters herewith. We try to do all we can to please givers like this, so as to lead them to give more, and to deepen their interest in the work. I hope that you will be able soon to write to Mrs. Bristow. I write to you about the matter, as I learn that you are Chairman of the Committee of the Mission for the Famine Orphan work. Of course you are at liberty to pick out orphans anywhere in the Mission that you prefer for Mrs. Bristow.

I want to congratulate you on the birth of the little daughter in your home. An appropriation has been made for her for the present fiscal year; Her proportionate allowance for the last



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year I support you will report through the Mission Treasurer to Mr. Hand, in order that the payments which will doubtless be made may be charges against last year's savings.

With reference to the question you ask in your letter of April 5th, with reference to the powers of the Mission in the matter of selecting a place for the Settlement, I would say that the Board practically would have to depend wholly upon the Mission's judgment, and I have no doubt would approve at once the decision of the Mission, so that in that sense I am sure that whatever conclusion the Mission reaches is likely to be final; but the Mission does not have authority to go ahead and erect a building in the absence of any funds therefor or any appropriation on the part of the Board; and I do not suppose that you had that in mind at all. I believe that the ladies of the Settlement are hoping that the money for the building may come in a special way, and it may be that they have the money already given specially. I think it would be better, however, to get the Board's formal authorization for its expenditure of a house for the Settlement. Doesn't this commend itself to you?

I am glad that Mrs. Wilson and the little daughter are getting along so nicely, and I hope she may grow up to be a most useful woman. I hope that your health also is good, and that you may reap this coming year, after a good rest during the Summer, the most abundant harvests ever gathered in the Western India field.

With warm regards.

Your sincere friend,

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June 18th, 1901.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,  
Miraj,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Dr. Wanless:-

We have received from Miss Spining, fifty dollars for the Memorial Bed in the Miraj Hospital. She says in sending the money, "I am awaiting my parents return before buying the special bed and equipments which we propose sending shortly. In the mean time any of the cots there will serve the purpose. Will you kindly write Dr. Wanless to this effect?" This refers of course to our correspondence with reference to Miss Spining's desire to have such a memorial to her sister, Mary Spining. According to the understanding which we had together, this is part of the appropriations for the hospital, Miss Spining providing the money as a special object under the appropriations.

I have not acknowledged before the receipt of your good letter of February 28th, with reference to Mrs. Graham's death. Mr. Graham wrote to me in a very lovely spirit on the subject. It was a great grief to us that this sorrow came to him and to you and to all the Mission.

With reference to your request regarding the 1000 Rupees needed for the new hospital wards, in view of the unwillingness of the Bombay Committee to allow you to use money which they had provided, for the purchase of material, I would say that the matter was brought

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before the Board, and the following action was taken:

"It was voted to appropriate 1000 Rupees, the balance of the India Famine Fund, to the Western India Mission, in response to Dr. Wanless's request in his letter of April 19th, 1901."

It is distressing to learn of the suffering which still exists, and which does not seem likely to abate. We have kept the needs of the Mission on this account before the Church, and you will have learned from preceding letters to the Mission, of the many contributions received toward the support of orphan children. I spoke of the matter also at the General Assembly, as you will see from the enclosed leaflet.

Mr. Converse was in a few days ago, and spoke of his recent letters from you. This morning I have a letter from him, in which he says that he has ordered from the Berstein Manufacturing Company of Philadelphia, a vertical boiler for the Miraj Hospital, which will be shipped to you care Watson & Co. directly from Philadelphia.

I hope that you have got some rest at Mahableshtar, and that Mrs. Wanless is in better health.

Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson got in last Thursday, looking I imagine very much better than they really are. I shall be writing to the Mission within a few days, to tell it of the appointment of several new missionaries who will come out this Fall.

With kindest regards.

Very sincerely yours,



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June 21st, 1901.

The Rev. G. W. Seiler,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Seiler:-

I enclose herewith a letter to the Mission, but must send with it an acknowledgment of the receipt of your letter of April 5th, and also of the Station letter of April 25th, which was written by you. I cannot tell you how greatly we have rejoiced at the baptisms in Kodoli and Wadgeon. We have let the Church know of these baptisms, and there has been great rejoicing over them. I know what a burden of care it will lay upon you, and how anxious you will all be to see that no mistake is made, and also to guide and train all these precious lives that have thus placed themselves under the care and instruction of the Church. We shall think often of you as you go about this difficult and blessed work. You will let us know, will you not, whenever there are any further baptisms, and also tell us of the progress of the Christian life of those who have been already baptized, in order that we may sympathize with you, and pray for you and them.

With kind regards to Mrs. Seiler and yourself.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert C. Seiler.



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June 21st, 1901/

The Rev. L. B. Tedford,  
Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Mr. Tedford:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the Mission letter for the Station, but I must write also a word to acknowledge the receipt of your good letter of April 24th. I have copied out of it what you say about the needs of the people and the continuance of the famine conditions, and have given that portion of your letter to Dr. Halsey for publication.

We shall be glad to buy for you with a portion of the famine funds we have in hand, and to send out to you, one of the Looms, regarding which you write. I hope that you may be able to make good use of it, and if one or two more could be used profitably, please let us know.

How is your little flock at Kodoli getting along now? You will know how much it is on our hearts from the reference to it in the enclosed leaflet. The blessing which God is pouring out upon the Mission has been an immense encouragement to the Church at home, and far and wide there is rejoicing that at last the windows of heaven seem to be opened above the Mission, and the showers of blessing beginning to fall.

We can understand how much of added anxiety and responsibil-

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ity the entrance into the Church of all these new Christians has brought to you. I do not wonder that you feel the heavy weight of it all. But how much more blessed it is to be staggering under the burdens of success than to be waiting wearily for success to come! Doubtless the new Christians are very imperfect and ignorant; but after all how slight in the eyes of God must be the differences between them and even the most developed Christians. And over that chasm of difference God can bridge. We shall pray that He may help you, as He only can, to understand more perfectly the way to go, and to walk therein without stumbling.

I do not wonder that you feel the desire of postponing your furlough for a year, in order to be able to care for this work that has been committed to you. I hope that you and Mrs. Tedford may not break down under the strain of it, and that this added year may not prove too much for your strength.

With kindest regards to you both.

Very cordially yours,

*Robert E. P. [unclear]*

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June 21st, 1901.

Mrs. J. M. Goheen,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mrs. Goheen:-

As you will learn from the Mission letter which goes by this mail, we have received from a good Christian woman in Baltimore, some money for famine orphans in the Western India Mission. She wanted to know the names of the missionaries to whom she might write in connection with her gifts, and mentioned you as one of those to whom she would like to write, and under whose care she would like to have some of the money expended. I hope that you will be able to write to her. We have received a number of letters from her, which show her to be a very interesting character, and I think that by striving to keep her informed of the work, and so interest her in it more particularly, we may be able to secure from her for it even greater help than she is already giving.

I think I have never acknowledged the receipt of your kind note of last November, and of your good letter written in behalf of the Station in January. The Western India Station letters are always very satisfactory, and they do a great deal to help us to keep sympathetically intelligent regarding the work and all the friends who are engaged in it.

I neglected to say that, while Mrs. Bristol suggested you as one of the missionaries to whom she would like to have some of her

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money go, she sent us two letters to be forwarded to you, which I enclose herewith. I think you will understand that money for the famine orphans as we get it, is credited here to the special account of the India Famine Orphans, and that you are all free to draw against it in accordance with our notifications of the presence of money here, and the Mission or Station in connection with which the donors expect it to be expended. Of course if you have money enough on hand for orphans for the present, you could either reserve it for future use, or this that we are now receiving; only it is always well if you can write to the donors soon, and tell them about the work, and about the expenditure of the money which they have given, in such a way as to maintain and if possible increase their interest.

I hope that you and Mr. Goheen are both well, although I fear that he may not be. I went out on the train from Philadelphia to Harrisburgh recently, with Mr. Sherrard of Chambersburg, and he told me a good deal about you and your father and your sister. It was a great pleasure to hear of you in this way.

With kindest regards.

Very sincerely yours,

*Robert E. Jones*





June 21st, 1901.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

The Annual Conference of New Missionaries has just closed, after a delightful week of meetings and of personal intercourse. It was of great value to have Mr. Janvier and Mr. Forman of the Furrukhabad Mission here, and to give the new missionaries the advantage of meeting and talking with them. Mr. Janvier spoke at one of the earlier meetings, and Mr. Forman closed the regular morning sessions of the Conference with an address yesterday morning, on "The Missionary and His Relations to Man," which was followed by a Communion service, in charge of good old Dr. Wells, the President of the Board. The subjects discussed in the Conference were such as these: "The Missionary and His relations to the Home Church," "The Missionary and His Relations to the Board," "The Aim, Methods and Agencies of Missions," "Missionary Ethics," "The Missionary's Relations to Governments," that is, Civil Governments, ecclesiastical authority and administrative authority represented in the Board, the Mission and the Station, "The Missionary's Relation to Social Customs and Native Religions," "The Missionary and Finances," which was accompanied by a practical talk by a professional accountant on Bookkeeping, "The Missionary and His Bible," "The Missionary and His Relations to Christ," "The Intellectual Life of the Missionary" etc. One morning the young men and the young women met in separate rooms, and were addressed,

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the former by the Board's medical adviser, and the latter by a woman physician who had been a missionary. We had hoped to have Dr. Mary Eddy, or Dr. Helen Newton to speak to the young women, but Dr. Eddy was ill and Dr. Newton could not come. It was a most valuable Conference in every way, practically and spiritually. Every year gives added evidence that the idea of holding such Conferences was truly of God.

Of the new missionaries who were present, I am glad to report that two have been assigned to the Western India Mission, the Rev. Robert C. Richardson and Miss E. D. Campbell. Mr. Richardson is a graduate of Princeton Seminary, and will be married before he goes to Miss Peterson, of London, England. Miss Campbell comes from the Women's Board of the Northwest, where she has had a good deal of experience in work among young people; and if possible she will get a month or so of additional training in the Bible Institute at Chicago before going. Of course the assignment of Station of both Mr. Richardson and Miss Campbell is left to the Mission. They will expect to still ~~want~~ in time to reach the Mission as the Annual Meeting is in session, Mr. Richardson leaving from England, and Miss Campbell from New York about the middle of September, leaving Trieste October third.

The appropriations for the new missionaries will be an extra appropriation, as the sheets as sent for the new year did not include any items for the new missionaries, so I report appropriations on this account herewith as follows:

|                        | OUTFIT. | TRAVEL &<br>FREIGHT. | SALARY. | TEACHER. |
|------------------------|---------|----------------------|---------|----------|
| Miss E. D. Campbell,   | \$200.  | \$325.               | \$285.  | Rs. 100. |
| Rev. R. C. Richardson, | 400.    | 600.                 | 570.    | 200.     |

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Some time ago the question of the inequality existing between the salaries of unmarried men and unmarried women was considered by the Board, the question having often come up from various quarters, and as a result of consideration at this time, the following action was taken:

"It was voted that in the case of unmarried men appointed, but not yet sent to the field, and in the case of all unmarried men henceforth to be appointed, their salaries should be one-half that of married missionaries, any amendments to this rule rendered necessary by exceptional conditions in any fields, to be considered and dealt with as necessity arises."

It does not seem to the Board that where unmarried men are boarding in the families of missionaries, there is any reason why their salary should be greater than the salaries of unmarried women. If in any individual case the circumstances are peculiar and exceptional, the Board would be very willing of course to take such cases under consideration. No unmarried men have thus far been assigned to the Western India Mission this year, so that this action of the Board is not at present applicable, although it will be either this year, or henceforth if any unmarried men are appointed.

I have to report that at a recent meeting of the Board, the following action was taken in response to a letter from Dr. Wanless.

"It was voted to appropriate 1000 Rupees, the balance of the India Famine Fund, to the Western India Mission, in response to Dr. Wanless' s request in his letter of April 19th, 1901."

Money for the purchase of materials for the pay wards was really given by Mr. Converse last year, but when Dr. Wanless wrote that he had obtained it on the field, Mr. Converse authorized us to use the money which he had given for the purpose otherwise. There is in the Famine Relief Fund, however, money properly applicable for this purpose, and so the appropriation as indicated has been made.



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I would report also an addition to the appropriations for the current year of \$100. for children's allowance, for a child of the Rev. E. M. Wilson, born since the estimates were made out and sent in from the Mission.

Our hearts are still sad at the sorrow in Mr. Graham's home, and we do not cease to remember him and his children, and we pray that the God of all comfort may make His perfect comfort abound to them, and may keep them in His peace and consolation.

Since writing last we have received some further money toward the support of famine orphans, which is at the disposal of the Mission to be used as seems best. We have received \$600. from Mrs. Jane E. Moore Bristol, 618 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md., to be devoted to this object in the Western India Mission. I wrote to Mr. E. M. Wilson of \$300. of this amount, and sent him some letters which Mrs. Bristol wanted sent to the missionaries, and I am sending Mrs. Goheen other letters by this mail from Mrs. Bristol, with reference to the remaining \$300. We have also received contributions from the following persons: one boy under Mr. Wylie's care, from Lowell Chapin, 476 N. State Street, Chicago, Ills., one boy under Mr. Hannum's care, from Mrs. J. F. Heiserman, Yuma, Col., 14 boys under the care of Mr. Wiley, from Mr. E. D. Sturgis, for the Sunday School, Scranton, Pa., also from same school, through Mr. Sturgis, 15 boys under the care of Mr. E. M. Wilson.

I wish it were possible to have secured for the Mission a larger number of new missionaries, but the supply is woefully short of the demand; not of the demand from the Mission only, but also of the



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number which the Board would gladly have assumed responsibility of sending. Both men and women are still needed. We are hoping for a great deal from the presence in this country for the coming year, of Mr. John Forman and Mr. Janvier of the Furruckhabad Mission. Both of them are rarely qualified to present the missionary claims to young men and women, and we shall hope that both in the theological seminaries and the women's colleges next Fall, they may be able to find many to whom God will bring the missionary call through them.

We think constantly of you all in the midst of the heavy burdens you are still bearing because of the need and suffering all about you. I ventured to speak of this in my address to the General Assembly, a copy of which is enclosed, and I am sure that there are many throughout the Church who appreciate the tremendous strain through which you have been passing. We shall hope that the Spirit of Christ may enable you to bear this burden and keep you in the midst of it, sensitive of heart and sympathetic, in spite of the perpetual drain upon your compassion. And we shall constantly pray that as the result of all the work that has been done during the past years, there may now be multitudes who will come into the Christian Church, ignorant though they may be, ready to be taught and to take their stand on Christ's side.

Mr. Irwin was at the General Assembly, representing the Western India Mission, and it was a great pleasure to get a glimpse of him now and then, although the Assembly is a bad place in which to have any opportunities to talk with people. It was a good Assembly; I think everybody felt that the Spirit of Christ was truly there, guiding it.

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not only the Revision discussing, but in other things also, and that God's blessing rested upon it abundantly.

Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson have reach'd home safely, looking, I imagine, much better than they have been in health. It was a great pleasure to see them here, so bright and cheerful, AND I hope that the year at home may be a time of great refreshing and re-invigoration for them.

With warm regards to all,

Your sincere friend,

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July 30th., 1901.

Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
Vengurle, India.

My Dear Mr. Hannum:

I find that a little mistake has been made in the assignment of Indian orphans. Through a clerical error here in copying a list of orphans, you were informed that a Mr. J. H. Baldwin of Milfintown, Pa, and the Sunday-school of his church had taken two of your orphans. As a matter of fact these two were taken not by Mr. Baldwin but by Mrs. W. N. Filson of Hastings, Nebraska. Mr. Baldwin has returned Mrs. Hannum's letter and the photograph of the youngsters, and I am sending these to Mrs. Filson.

Let me thank you now for your kind note of June 11th. Vengurle Station has been placed on the list of mission station to receive the Assembly Herald, and the stationery supplies of which you wrote as not having been received, will be sent in the next shipment. I gave a memorandum of your necessities to Mr. Hard as soon as your first letter came, but as you know, goods are held until a sufficient number are collected to make a shipment profitable.

May I thank Mrs. Hannum through you for her good letter of June 16th. giving all the station news.

I forwarded to Mrs. Heiserman photographs of her orphan. I hope that Mrs. Hannum is not being too much burdened with these details.

I am venturing to enclose some little leaflets of poetry here with which you may like to have. Many of them, as you will see from the initials or name at the end, were written by Dr. Babcock. I



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wish you might have known him and I wish yet more he could have left his spirit behind him so that each of us could have gotten a little bit of it. He was one of the most remarkable personal workers that I ever knew. He had a tact and insight and overflowing radiance of life that broke down all opposition and enabled him to get right into the hearts of people. He seemed never to grow weary at it either. I know many people who are good earnest workers, but they get tired - not tired physically only, but intellectually, and spiritually, so that they shrink from the idea of having to speak to people - but never so Dr. Babcock when he was not overflowing and apparently inexhaustible. He was always following up people, watching them, keeping track of their joys and sorrows, slipping into their life again, just when they needed him, and always keeping in mind as the first thing the purpose to win them in some way to Christ.

I was speaking just a little while ago with a minister about him and he spoke of his rare and unique gifts. I told him that I did not think that it was his rare and unique gifts which made Dr. Babcock the power that he was, nearly as much as his unflinching love and his untiring fidelity as Christ's servant. His unique gifts the rest of us cannot possess, but his love and his fidelity we can and I believe that there are thousands of churches in this land that might be packed to the doors, just as Dr. Babcock's church was, if the love and intensity and unrelenting earnestness filled the minister's heart and dominated his work. Of course, he had exceptional gifts, but exceptional gifts are possessed by many men who accomplish much less results as Dr. Babcock accomplished, while results like his are accomplished by many men who are not exceptional gifts, except those gifts



of grace which God is waiting to give to every man and woman who will receive them and use them.

I think sometimes that the earnestness and faithfulness with which Jesus worked were as divine and yet as much within the reach of any of us as anything else in His human life. "My Father worketh", He said, "and I work". "My meat is to do". I wish I knew how to work as hard as that.

With kind regards to you both,

Your sincere friend,

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July 31st., 1901.

Dr. Victoria E. Mc Arthur,  
Ratnagiri, India.

My Dear Dr. Mc Arthur:

I think I am deeper in debt to you in the way of correspondence than to almost any one, as your letter to me which I have never answered, was written more than a year ago. That will show you how far behind it is possible for me to get. At this rate, I am ashamed to say I shall have written to you only about six times before you come home on furlough. I will try to do better hereafter, and I am sure you will not lay up this long delay against me.

You must feel like one of the patriarchs of the station now. I hope that you are quite comfortable in the feeling, and that the work at Ratnagiri is going forward in the happiest and most prosperous way. I can imagine that it must grow more delightful from year to year as you get hold of more and more of the language, and begin to use it just as though it were your own mother tongue.

It is very nice to have pictures of the orphanage such as came in a recent letter from Mrs Wylie, and it has been most pleasant to talk over the work at Ratnagiri a little bit with Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson. They were looking quite happy and cheerful and reasonably well. I hope their year at home will enable them to lay up a great store of strength for the coming years, and that they can go back with even richer spiritual blessing.

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With kind regards to all the members of the station,

Cordially yours,



July 31st., 1901.

Miss Adelaide A. Brown,  
Kolhapur, S. M. C., India.

My Dear Miss Brown:

Your good letters of Nov. 14th., Feb. 11th and April 20th. have all been received and I am very grateful to you for all the information you have sent regarding your orphans. I believe that they have not all yet been provided for, or if they have, there is yet further need for the support of such children, and we are accordingly assigning to a good woman in Baltimore who is deeply interested in the support of these orphans some more under your care. This good woman is Mrs. J. B. Moore Bristar -- 618 North Calvert St., Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Bristar has already sent us nearly a thousand dollars for the support of orphans, and now, afterwards, as the enclosed letter indicates, one hundred dollars to be used for the support of orphans for one year, or one orphan for several years. Mrs. Bristar's idea is that it takes more than fifteen dollars for the complete support of a child, including its proper education, and is willing that her money should be devoted to the support of children at the rate of more than fifteen dollars for each one. If, however, fifteen dollars is ample, that is the amount which ought to be expended.

We have received the hundred dollars referred to in Mrs. Bristar's letter to you which I enclose, and you are at liberty to draw on the Mission Treasurer for it as it may be necessary for the support of Mrs. Bristar's children. As her letter will indicate to you, she is not without her personal characteristics. I know that you will be able

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to write to her carefully and deepen her interest. She is giving most generously, and only the other day she wrote to Mr. Hand that she would like to give twelve hundred dollars for the support of a number of children for four years, as many as that money would support. Could you not make use of it in connection with your children?

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With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

103rd St. N. W.  
Wash. D. C.

John Doe, Jr., Esq.





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September 14th, 1901.

The Rev. A. W. Marshall,

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Marshall:-

I want to thank you most sincerely for your letter of last April. It was just the sensible, earnest sort of letter I expected from you. We have already made use of it, and I am copying a section of it to make use of again, both in connection with our next New Missionaries' Conference, and in correspondence. I am glad you see the dangers of too much localization and too heavy a burden of institutions. I hope that familiarity may not break down the impression which has been made upon you at the outset, and lead you to fall in without resistance to the routine which you perceive, and the evil of which you recognize. I hope you can so guide your own work that you will be free for direct unhampered effort.

I have just been reading a book entitled "Mission Problems and Mission Methods in South China," by Dr. Gibson, of the English Presbyterian Mission in Swatow. It is one of the most satisfactory missionary books I have ever read. I hope you can see it some time. It is published in London, by Oliphant, Anderson and Ferrier, and in New York by Revell. It covers the actual details of missionary life and method in a scientific spirit, and with the most judicious balancing of contrary judgments. It holds up the noble ideal of missionary life, and draws attention to some features of it which you I am sure will appreciate, as you bear so much greater responsibilities than would be thrown on you here. "It has been often pointed out," says Dr. Gibson, "how the great responsibilities of Empire stimulate and draw out many of the best qualities of our race, and tend to produce, both in our army and in the civil and diplomatic services, men of the highest intellectual power and the finest types of character. Is there not something analogous to this in our Church life?"

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Is there not a danger lest we should allow it to narrow itself so that it becomes local, and what has been called parochial, and is it not one of the great advantages of the development of foreign missions in recent times that it helps, as it were, to imperialize Christianity, to give us a larger horizon and a fresher atmosphere, and to call into more strenuous exercise a higher intellectual energy, and a larger spiritual life; and if that be so, may we not anticipate for ourselves individually that the highest development of our own powers may be found in placing ourselves upon the wider field? At home only men of very exceptional powers can expect to stand out in any degree from the great body of Christian army or to leave permanent mark upon the Church's work. Every labourer in the home field is in close contact on all sides with many others, in not a few of whom he probably recognizes greater power than his own. His own department of work is often strictly limited and conditioned by the spheres allotted to those above, below and around him. But on the foreign field the missionary for the most part stands alone. At the best he is one of a very small body who are jointly responsible for all the varied departments of service which the time calls for. It is theirs also to watch the course of events; to recognize the signs of the times; to make new departures and strike out new lines of work as necessity arises. Each man therefore feels called upon to bring out the very best and utmost that is in him, and many men have discovered on the foreign field, to their own surprise and to the surprise of others, powers and capacities, both mental and spiritual, of whose existence they were not previously aware. I have myself even taught singing on the mission field, which is to those who know me, the quaintest possible illustration of what I have been saying. I have seen this illustrated amongst my own colleagues, and it should be a marked feature of every healthy mission body that every man makes some fresh and distinctive contribution to the shaping and development of the work of his mission, and in doing so finds also scope and discipline for his own nature and character."

I have often remarked on the influence of missionary work on the character of those engaged in it, which Dr. Gibson describes in these words which I have quoted.



In speaking of the need of men who shall be free for evangelistic work, Dr. Johnson expresses a conviction which I am sure everybody who has any contact with missions on a large scale must share. "We often earnestly wish," he says, "that our members would allow us to set apart some men exclusively for evangelistic work. Such men would be set free from all pastoral responsibilities among the Christian Churches, and from all entanglement in the business arrangements which must be attended to at the centre of every large mission. They should be free to spend their time amongst the people in the cities and country districts, making a large study of native literature, religion and life; coming into the closest possible contact with all classes of the people, and free to devise and carry out methods of bringing the Gospel in all its aspects, as bearing both on individual and national life, within their reach. They should itinerate in the country districts, reaching by open-air preaching and by private conversations the great bulk of the common people. They should visit schools and literary retreats in order to reach the professional scholars. They should have time to make a thorough study of the classical books, and to clear their own minds as to the best ways of bringing into comparison and contrast with them both the practical and scientific aspects of Christian theology. They should find their way into the warehouses, shops, and homes of the mercantile classes, and the official residences of the magistrates, expounding among these capable and intelligent men of the world the bearings of Christianity upon national prosperity, as well as preaching upon them the Gospel of Christ, as the only way of individual regeneration. . . . In large cities any man with the soul of an evangelist, and the equipment of a scholar, and with a sympathetic, genial heart, could easily find access to large numbers of Chinese homes, where he would be welcomed as a friend, and might soon by the pleasing of God become a spiritual power of immeasurable value. In these and many other ways which time and experience would develop, the evangelization of the great bulk of the Chinese people remains still to be undertaken, and no man need cover a larger or more varied field of usefulness than this, which is waiting all over China for any who are willing and fitted to enter upon it."



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These quotations will give you a taste of the book. I hope you will get it and read it. And that your own work may enable you to grasp in your particular field just the opportunities which Dr. Gibson describes. Of course different mission fields vary, and different stations in the same field; but all over the world there is need and opportunity for just this type of free, direct evangelistic work, guided by good judgment and discretion, and animated by the highest and finest Christian spirit. There is a great difference between men in the way they go about the same problem, some taking it up as Dr. Gibson has done in his own work, with keen discernment, with an open eye to the balancing of different methods and courses, with a sharp and sympathetic study of human nature as he is called upon to deal with them; and above all, with an eye single to the supreme object of getting Christ and His thought and life into the minds and hearts and wills and homes of men.

I am so glad that you found the Studies in the Christian Endeavor World of use to you, and also the little book on Paul. I shall be very glad to suggest to you now and then good books, which it would be worth your while to get and read. Have you seen a little book published by Revell, by a Glasgow minister named Simpson, entitled "The Fact of Christ?" I think you would enjoy also, Booker Washington's, "Up from Slavery." There is a great deal in it that will be of use to missionaries, especially to those who have anything to do with educational work, or the training of natives, particularly for such dependent classes as the famine orphans.

We have seen Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson a number of times. Miss Jefferson has not said anything about making a Western trip to visit the Monte Vista Church in Colorado.

I was very glad to learn from what you wrote so candidly in your last letter, that God's grace had proven more than sufficient for your needs, and that His comfort made compensation for the pain and disappointment which the overturning of your plans occasioned you before you went out. I am sure that, having tried to do God's will and walk in His way, you can keep a peaceful mind, and rest in the sure faith that He has led you right, and will lead you until the end.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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Miss Nell Graham,  
Folhapur, W. C. C.,  
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My dear Miss Graham:

I suppose that you and your father will have been off for some season, next this summer, and will now be back at Vedoli. We were very much interested to learn of your plan for your Viraj to Vedoli. I suspect that this has not least in the least any diminution of your responsibilities and cares. Perhaps with the large number of children to be looked after at Vedoli and the new children needing to be taught and taught, you are finding it an even more exacting field than Viraj was. Still it must be a great comfort to have your hands and hearts full.

I suspect that even though you felt at first that the language had gone completely away from you, you are now finding that there was some capacity to pick it up stored away in your mind that you imagined. I have heard from various missionaries of the very childhood memories which could scarcely be called memories, because they had never come back to them in all the intervening years, would gradually loosen and come forth under the influence of the old scenes and sounds, and I suppose one ought to be a little bit of a child, I think that sometimes the sense of smell is a more powerful aid to the memory than either the sense of sight or the sense of sound. We know how Mr. Wipling speaks of the fascination of the smoking smell of Mandelay. We thought of you all this year when we had the 'Missionaries' Conference. I think it was not quite so large as last year, but it was just as good a Conference as any that had come before.

Mr. Bell Church

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here. I wonder how he got along for the last year. I want to see  
readings. I was looking over the program the other day and  
he seemed to see how almost each year the program was entirely  
new, knowing how much there is to go over. I suppose every year more  
new points will suggest themselves. Some missionaries have proposed  
that the talks at the Conference should be printed and sent out, but  
I think the time for this has hardly come yet. Some day perhaps it  
will come, but things are changing all the time and more wisdom is com-  
ing. I suspect in twenty or thirty years from now, if we could look  
back upon ourselves at this time, we would marvel at how little we  
see and know.

I wonder if you have seen a little book giving the resolu-  
tions which were adopted at the South Indian Missionary Conference,  
held at Madras in January, 1910. It is one of the best little books  
that I have seen. It does not print any of the discussions, but only  
the resolutions that were adopted. They are a most sensible and com-  
prehensive body of missionary principles. I hope you will see it some  
time. Even though your work may be largely along well defined lines,  
you do not want to let it get narrow or mechanical. You want to keep  
it in touch with the great principles of mission work and want to be  
yourself a thoughtful student of them. To this end I think you would  
find such little books as this very useful.

I hope you will write often and fully about your work. You  
will be seeing everything now with fresh eyes, and it will be helpful  
to you to write down your impressions and judgments. It will fix them  
all the more on your own memory. I was struck by this fact this morn-  
ing in writing out some missionary lectures which compelled me to  
study over ground, some of which I had often been over before, and I

learned a great many things and have got them in my mind now though  
just writing out these lectures which I would have slipped over and  
forgotten if I had not been compelled to sit down and go through the  
actual labor of writing about them. Then apart from the help it will  
be to you, it will be of the greatest value to us here, if you will  
write to us about your work just as if you were sitting here.

With kindest regards to your father and yourself from all

of us,

Very cordially yours,



Dr. J. W. W. W.

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Sept. 21st, 1907

Dr. J. W. W. W.,  
Miral, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Dr. W. W. W.:

I am writing by this mail a letter to the Mission, but must send also a note to you in answer to your letters of June 21st and August 1st. As soon as your note of June 21st came, although I had not received any telegram from Mr. Simonson, I wrote to him about the matter, in order that he might turn it over in his mind and have a decision ready, in case a telegram should come. Later your letter of August 1st came, explaining the absence of any such message. As you will perhaps have heard later from Mr. Simonson he did not feel that he could have returned now and I am inclined to think that he is wise in his judgment that it will be better for him to wait until he is altogether satisfied as to his restored vigor, before he goes back to India. That he hopes ultimately to go back, I have no doubt, and of course whenever he is ready to go we shall be glad to send him.

I am not sure whether you have any ordained men living at Miral now, so I enclose a copy of the letter for Miral Station to you. I suppose that even if you have some one with you, you are acting as Secretary of the Station and would normally receive any such communication.

We are very sorry to hear of Mrs. W. W. W.'s indisposition. I hope that the real cholera may not lay hold of any of you. You will of course have heard of Miss Thoburn's death from cholera in Northern

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India. She was one of the best missionaries of the Methodist Church. I saw quite a good deal of her when she was here last and of her the calm strength, the resolution, the good sense, and the complete devotion which characterized her and which well explained the great success of her work.

I wish we had some more missionaries to send you, but we cannot find them. It is curious how hard it is to bring together supply and demand. I have no doubt that in this city there are many people looking for good men and women to employ, while there are many good men and women seeking employment, and often each party will miss the other. This Summer we sought for weeks for a stenographer before finding one, and now only yesterday, I met several who were looking for positions and who seemed to be just the sort of women who one would like to have. I have no doubt that there are places here in this city just to fit them, but the difficulty is to find them. And in the same way in this missionary work, there must be many men and women in whose hearts there are deep missionary sympathies and who would go if we could find them. On the other hand, there are many places, as you well know, for which just these men and women are needed.

After a good deal of wet and foggy weather, we are having some superb days - clear and clean and freshening; just the sort of days that purge evil humors out of the mind and call one glad of life. I hope you may be having some days of this sort before long in India, and that as they come, the bright prospects in the work which have stood out before you may be realized and the Mission welcome this coming cold season a larger number of converts to its churches than it has ever received before.

With warm regards to Mrs. Tarkenton and yourself,  
Very cordially yours,

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Sept. 24th, 1901.

The Rev. W. H. Hannum,

Vengurle, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Hannum:

Your kind letter of August 15th with its copy of the correspondence regarding the Village Settlement was received on Friday, the 20th. I enclose herewith a mission letter, which discusses the whole question at length, and which I hope may be useful in helping you to bring the matter to a final decision. I have gone into the matter so fully in the accompanying letter that I shall only be covering the same ground to discuss it here. I cannot help but feel that perhaps in your right desire to do the just and careful thing, you may have over-burdened yourselves with a feeling of responsibility for the outcome. If I were you I would just let that burden roll off on the Board and the Settlement itself. Surely, while the Settlement project is a serious and important one, it is not of such magnitude as to cause any undue concern or distress on your part, or on the part of the mission as a whole. I think I know just how you feel and I put myself in your place. Constantly here, questions are proposed and I can't see just as others see and if I had my way would probably follow a different course, and yet when once the decision is reached I fall in and don't weight myself down with the responsibility. I have done the best I could and others have done the best they could, now surely God will take care of the outcome, just as all of us have been in preliminary stages seeking to do just what is right in His sight.



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In your letter of August 15th you say "you will see from the discussion that the difficulty is not about salary or work or location so much as about mission control". I must confess that I do not see this. The whole question seems to me to be one of location, except in so far as you and Mr. Wilson re-open the question as to whether there shall be any Settlement at all or whether the Settlement should not just be utterly dissolved and absorbed into the Mission. Now the Settlement is under the Mission's control, but it is a Settlement still. The appropriation for the building of the Miraj hospital was under the Miraj Station's control, but it was still an appropriation for a hospital. You would not have felt free to break them up into sections and spent them for different stations. Just so, the Settlement is under the Mission's control, but it went out as a Settlement for the particular work, and it seems to me that if you will once get it located the difficulties which you have felt about it will largely disappear or will work their way to a solution.

As far as I can make out from the correspondence you sent, if you and Mr. Wilson would agree to let the Settlement experiment go along, there would be no further delay. I don't blame you in the least for your feeling that it was necessary to face fairly the whole question, but I think also that now you will agree with me that it will be best to regard those issues as settled judgments until the Settlement has been given a fair trial as a Settlement. To dissolve it now would be simply to throw the whole affair up without having tried it. The Board is quite prepared to abandon the scheme, if shown to be impracticable after a fair trial. This may be the result, but I do not believe that even so that more would be proved than that the scheme was impracticable in the Western India Mission. I am sure that



the mission movement is swinging in the direction of more expansive-  
ness, more flexibility of organization, greater adaptiveness, and I  
hope that we may be able to demonstrate that our system is not the  
rigid inflexible system that it is usually declared to be, but one of  
the most large minded, comprehensive and pliable systems to be found  
in the mission work.

I am sending you some more tables of statistics. The let-  
ter paper which you speak of not having received was of course not  
sent by mail. You will get that in some one of the freight shipments.

Thank you very much for your hint regarding the addresses on  
the letters. I notice that the Kolhapur people often state specific-  
ally in their letters that they wish them addressed "Kolhapur, S.M.C.

/ I have just been looking over the Report of the Memorial Ser-  
vice for the late Dr. Riggs, the veteran missionary of the American  
Board in Constantinople, who died January 17th, 1901. It was a noble  
old life that came to its end that Winter day. These are some of the  
statements made by those who had known him for years at the Memorial  
Service.

"Dr. Riggs was one of the few distinguished men, gifted with  
great intellectual and linguistic ability, nevertheless we never saw  
in him a spirit of pride and vanity; on the contrary, he was by nature  
very meek and humble. Every time I visited him, I saw in him a growth  
in grace. When not long ago I went to congratulate him on his nineti-  
eth birthday, and, thinking that this might be my last opportunity,  
said to him: 'In the name of the churches of Bithynia and the whole  
Protestant community, I present sincerest thanks for your great and  
blessed work', in his own sweet and humble way he replied: 'I give  
thanks to God, who gave me grace and opportunity to perform this work,  
and to my Saviour I render all the glory and praise'".

Another trait of Dr. Riggs was conscientiousness. There are  
good men who do not intentionally do wrong, but who live in an easy,  
careless way, with no very delicate sense of right and duty, and not  
holding themselves to a very strict account of their conduct. Such  
was not the character of him of whom we speak. His conscientiousness  
did not go to the extreme of asceticism, for he had a sound common  
sense which kept him from all fads and excesses. But he was scrupu-

lously conscientious in everything. This was seen in his use of his time. So long as he had strength for work, he esteemed it both a duty and a delight to work. If his strength permitted but one or two hours of work a day, he limited himself to that, but that much he did faithfully. Through much of his life he suffered from physical weakness, yet the total result of his life-work was marvellous, because of the conscientious use he made of his hours and minutes.

Dr. Riggs was an humble man. This was a quality, the fragrance of which we detected, as we do the sweet scent of the violet, by his presence in the room.

Of course Dr. Riggs' great work was in Bible Translation and in that the thing which was specially noted next to the primary matters was his unfailing considerateness to his junior associates, whose judgment of course was of little value in comparison with his. Of the spirit in which he did his work, those who specially had the Memorial Service said:

His faith in the word of God was so absolute, so sincere, so settled a thing, so wrought into every fibre of his mental and spiritual being, that it ceased to be a burden, long before I knew him, even if it could ever be said to be true, that the responsibility he laboured under in transferring the sacred text from the original tongues into the languages of these lands, was of the nature of a burden.

He was never laboured. He had the gift of first rapidly seeing straight to the heart of a subject, and then making it clear to his readers in a few plain and lucid sentences. His tendency was to prune, thus leaving the rest light, luminous, and stimulating. His way out of a difficulty was always simple, never tortuous or complicated, and so inspired confidence. And then, his standpoint of interpretation was invariably that of intense humility before God. With a robust Calvinism, he always left God absolute on His throne, feeling sure that whatever might be the apparent difficulties, the Judge of all the earth would do right. He had the humility of boundless trust; and his confidence in God was thus implicit because it merged into intense and saintlike love. In his interpretation of Scripture there never was, therefore, any sternness or harshness. The spirit of adoption in him was too thorough to make it possible for him to think of the sovereignty of God apart from His love.

That is a fine picture of a noble life, and of the fountains that fed it. I believe there is something in the missionary work which develops such great character. Would that we might all feel it more and grow up not into the greatness of such men only, but even in-

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to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ! /

With warm regards to Mrs. Hannum and yourself.

Very sincerely yours,

*[Handwritten signature]*



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Sept. 24th, 1901.

Dr. Mary J. Stewart,

Vengurle, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Dr. Stewart:

I want to thank you for your good and helpful letter of August 6th. It seemed to me that you stated the questions for the Mission with reference to the Village Settlement most sensibly. You will of course see my letter to the Mission, which goes by this mail, and which I hope may help in a final settlement of this question, which seems so greatly to perplex the Mission. However hard it may have been for you and the other members of the Settlement to have your work hanging in the air, so to speak, while you were devoting yourselves now here and now there to the most urgent work that pressed upon you in the existing stations, I am sure that it will have been a useful experience to you, and that both the discipline of waiting and that the knowledge you have gained in the work in the various stations, will prove helpful to you when at last you get settled in your own definite work.

I notice what Dr. A. S. Wilson says in his notes accompanying the resolutions that have gone about the Mission, but I hope that you will not feel any impatience about establishing a hospital or getting too firmly rooted in a local work. It is an easy thing to get set either in special methods of work or some particular place, and while doing good in this method and in this place yet miss a larger influence of a freer work. It seems to me that it will be much wiser for you to go slower in this regard. You will have doubtless



ample opportunities to use your medical knowledge in the Village work, especially in the better class homes, if there are any such in the field where the Settlement will be located. It is much better to go in for the living spiritual work first and develop the medical instrumentalities that may be desirable subordinately. I know from what you write and what others write there will be no risk of your losing sight from the very outset of the distinct and supreme spiritual purpose. I received a good letter yesterday from one of our missionaries in Soochow, China, who possesses just the right spirit in her work and who has been a great blessing to her associates, as well as to the Chinese women. You will be interested in a glimpse of the spirit which prevails in the medical work of which she writes:

"We worked in the hospital, having quite large clinics and more inpatients than ever before. Dr. Cattell felt the responsibility of being the only physician very much, but she did splendid work. I watched her all Spring, admiring her pluck and courage and devotion more and more.

We both try to keep the thought uppermost that healing for the body, without a word to the Soul in the dark, is a failure. We try to teach this to all our Chinese assistants and for this reason have a ten minutes prayer-meeting with them just before noon; no one attending but those who are to work in Clinic and Chapel in the afternoon. We come just as we are from study, ward, chapel or kitchen and together kneeling ask for His help. I can recommend this little prayer meeting to all who are working, as we are, amid so much sin and sorrow. Sometimes, when I have felt almost too tired to undertake any more, these few quiet moments with those who are doing the same work and are interested in the same people have made me strong enough for anything.

Mrs. Chen has been able to do some work in the chapel and her gentle, sweet manner wins her a hearing always. One old country-woman, Mrs. Dong, has been in the chapel at clinic time nearly every day since we opened. The country women are so pleased to see and hear one of their own kind there. We do not have regular preaching service at this time, but try to speak to each woman personally. Just in an informal friendly way - not frightening them by presenting a doctrine they know nothing of, and are prepared to resent from the pulpit, but making friends with them and so introducing them, as it were, to one Friend. We like this plan, and I heard that one woman at least liked it too. She said to a woman who was rather doubtful about her reception if she came to us, "Oh it is all right to go - they are always smiling there and speak to you so kindly". Another woman said, while waiting for a patient, "Why do these people always smile? Are they

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always happy". Quickly came the answer from Mrs. Chen who heard her. "The Lord Jesus dwells in this Hospital, tho' unseen, and one always is happy with Him". I took that lesson straight to my own heart. Did she, a little one of His, feel that he indeed lived with us? Of what little faith I had often been. Getting discouraged and lonely and homesick. It makes me ashamed yet when I remember".

I hopethat you are very well and that you may not find the climate of India trying.

Praying that God may give you health of body and great love and strength of heart for his service, I am,

Very cordially yours,

*Rev. Mr. J. Stewart*

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Sept. 24th, 1903.

The Rev. Edgar M. Wilson,

Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Wilson:

I enclose herewith a mission letter, which goes pretty fully into the question of the Village Settlement and covers the points sufficiently, so that if I should write anything more here it would be just in the way of repetition.

I hope that you are very well and that you aren't bearing too heavy a load of work. The last word from you was to the effect that good rains had fallen all over the country and that the prospects had improved, but that the plague continued very bad. I hope that you may have no more night of famine to pass through and that the plague also may die away.

Do you get much time for reading now a days, or do your eyes trouble you so that you can't do much of it? I wonder if you have got hold in your reading of Mr. Stock's book, three volume history of the Church Missionary Society. If you have not, I believe you would enjoy dipping into it. The magnitude of the work appalled me at first, and I didn't touch it, but later I got into it and then I could scarcely drop it. It is not only a history of the Church Missionary Society, but also a story of the most fascinating sort of the history of the world for the last two hundred years laid in terms of its relations to the growth of the Church. It is full also of illuminating sidelights on mission policy and methods.

I suppose you have seen also the little book containing the



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resolutions that were adopted at the South Indian Missionary Conference held at Madras in January, 1900. It is about as sensible a set of missionary resolutions as I have ever read, clear, practical, comprehensive, and with a true approach to a statement of a rational body of missionary principles.

I received a letter this morning from one of the secretaries of the State Young Men's Christian Association of Pennsylvania. He is speaking about a Bible Conference in which I have been interested, because Pennsylvania is my old state, and he is setting forth the necessity for its development, by describing the present conditions surrounding the Association Movement. He writes:

"Compromise is in the air. Subtle and weakening teaching --- half truth and half error -- is insidiously making inroads where we would least suppose. Worldliness and business pressure are neutralizing the influence and work of some of the strong Christian workers in our volunteer ranks. Specialization along the line of so called departments is breaking the unity of the great spiritual purpose of our movement, frequently making the spiritual work one of the many 'departments'.

In other instances where this is not true, the Secretary is so engrossed with many details and the care of an immense plant that he allows himself to be cheated out of time for personal communion and Bible study, and thus loses relish for the very work that the Association exists to do, and in which his logical position is that of leader. With volunteer workers, allowing themselves to be hindered by selfish pursuit of pleasure or gain, and with the General Secretaries weakened in their leadership by neglect of their spiritual needs, and with the great host of unsaved young men confronting us, together with the deadly work of false teaching and destructive criticism within the fold, surely there is presented an awful need for just such a gathering as our Bible Conference".

that is a picture of more things than the situation of the Association Movement, isn't it? Where is there a Christian movement, whose agents are not in danger of just the same spiritual impoverishment. Surely, we need to be on our guard every day, and to watch lest when we have preached to others, we ourselves should be cast-aways. Let us go deeply into the Divine life open to us as the hiding place and the unfailing spring of our own life.

With warm regards,



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September 24th, 1911.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

I received from Mr. Hernum a copy of the correspondence which has been passing around the Mission since last March, on the subject of the Village Settlement and its proposed location at Malkapur. I have received also full letters on the subject from Mr. Wilson, and from the members of the Settlement. I am sure that there is real appreciation here of the importance of the questions that have been raised, also of the scrupulous and conscientious care the Mission is exercising lest a mistake should be made. Having in mind the history of the Settlement plan from the beginning, it is not strange, now that the last step is to be taken, any misgivings which were felt at the beginning should present themselves again, and that the members of the Mission should desire to avoid as far as possible any mistake. At the same time, after careful reading of all the correspondence that has been sent, it appears to us that some of the questions which are now raised should rather be regarded as issues already settled. It has been already decided to give this Settlement plan a trial, so that the proposal to destroy it now, and distribute the young women among the Stations, absorbing them in the regular work of the Mission, would seem to be a re-opening of the issue that is closed. Furthermore, barring any desire on the part of the young women who compose the Settlement, to withdraw, the Board has accepted, and would prefer to have accepted, that the integrity of the Settlement group is not to be invaded. The only question, as it appears to us, which is open and has been open for some time, has been the problem of the location of the Settlement. <sup>To</sup> But that problem there appear to us to be two solutions instead of three, as suggested in some of the letters; namely, the establishment of the Settlement as a whole in, or in connection with some one of the existing Stations; or its establishment in some more distant centre, such as Malkapur. The first of these

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plans I spoke of, not alone in my letter to Mr. Hannum, which has been quoted, but in my previous letters to the Mission, making this suggestion because there seemed to be such great difficulty in finding any other site, and also because so many representations were made of the destitute character of the districts surrounding our present Stations. It is true that the second plan has been the one which has been chiefly emphasized from the beginning, and which when the question came up before the Board, was most earnestly discussed, one or two members of the Board holding that it would be improper and imprudent for young women to live in any community where there was not a fully equipped station with missionary families resident. This objection was not sustained by the Board. In many mission fields where the conditions of life are vastly more difficult and perilous than in India, young women occupy stations alone, and while it is not always an ideal plan, yet sometimes it is necessary to choose between it and the denial to large masses of population of any knowledge of the Gospel.

The proposal to break up the Village Settlement and to distribute its members among the Stations, is precluded by the determination to give this plan of work a fair trial; but, as I have said, it seems to open to the Mission to determine whether the Settlement should be located in its integrity in connection with some one of our present Stations, or elsewhere. In one of the earliest papers regarding the Settlement, submitted to the Mission by Miss Wilder, the possibility of such a location of the Settlement is indicated. At the same time, as I have said, the general supposition has been that some satisfactory place like Malkapur would be fixed upon.

In the light of Mr. Wilson's letter, and the letters of the members of the Settlement, the whole situation was laid before the Board at its last meeting, prior to the receipt of Mr. Hannum's letter, and the following action was taken:

"The situation in the Western India Mission, with reference to the Village Settlement, was laid before the Board, and it was voted to express to the Mission the Board's desire, in accordance with its previous actions, that the Village Settlement plan should be given a fair trial. The Board would suggest, accordingly, that unless there are special difficulties in the way, apart from the general need of the other Stations and the situation of the Mission as a whole, neither of which has been affected by the appointment of the members of the Village Settlement, it should



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be located as soon as can conveniently and prudently be done at some selected place that the plan may be fairly tested."

As this action of the Board indicates, the appointment of the Village Settlement has not affected in the slightest degree the supply of funds or of workers for the other work of the Mission. The same number of new missionaries has been sent to the Mission that would have been sent if the Village Settlement had not been appointed, and the same amount of money has been appropriated for this its work; and this will continue to be the course of the Board I am sure until there is some change in its plans regarding the Settlement. Not only has the Mission not been weakened at all because of the appointment of the Settlement, but it has had the great advantage of the services of the members of the Settlement in the existing Stations and in the established work thus far. Doubtless they could all be absorbed in the existing Stations, to the great advantage of the present work; but likewise, the Vengurle and Ratnagiri Stations might be closed, and all their members absorbed in the work of the Deccan, to the great advantage of the latter. I know how insufficiently supplied the old Stations are, and sympathize thoroughly with the desire of those members of the Mission who feel that the members of the Settlement are needed in the old Stations; but we cannot allow this desire to be determinate, any more than we can allow that all the members of the Mission are needed and would be doing useful work in the United States, to lead to the dissolution of the Mission, and the retention of all its members in America. The Village Settlement was sent out for a special work, special funds were provided for it, it wrought no hardship or disadvantage to the established work in any way, and it seems to the Board that it would not be wise to spend time further in rediscussing those questions, but to go forward rather, and give the plan farther trial.

The Board is the further persuaded of the wisdom of this course by the fact that all the members of the Settlement, after their somewhat varied and comprehensive experiences, are more firmly convinced than ever that the plan is practicable and wise, and are more anxious than ever to give themselves to it. Also, the Board

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Mr. Willey, while unable to assent entirely to the wisdom of the project, has yet so fairly dealt with it, and is so generously disposed to assist in its promotion and success.

With reference to the money available for the Bungalow, no mention is made in any of the letters of the fact that in the list of property produced by the Mission at its special session in May 1900, called to determine the wise use of famine funds, the Mission included an item of 8000 Rupees for a bungalow for the Village Settlement. The entire list was as follows:

|                                |            |               |
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| Kolhapur Station.              |            |               |
| School house,                  | Rs. 10,000 |               |
| Sick ward,                     | 400        |               |
| Punhala Station.               |            |               |
| Bungalow,                      | 8,000      |               |
| Hospital,                      | 4,000      |               |
| Two sheds for famine children, | 200        |               |
| House for famine children,     | 600        |               |
| Sangli Station.                |            |               |
| Bungalow,                      | 6,500      |               |
| Sick ward,                     | 400        |               |
| Miraj Station.                 |            |               |
| Bungalow Annex,                | 1,500      |               |
| Contagious disease ward,       | 700        |               |
| Village Settlement.            |            |               |
| Bungalow,                      | 3,000      |               |
|                                | Rs.        | <u>40,300</u> |

Mr. Hand is carrying on his books all these items to the credit of the Mission.

A report which Mr. Wiley, as Mission Treasurer, made as to the disbursement of these monies, so far as they have been expended, makes no mention whatever of the 8000 Rupees asked by the Mission, and included in the list approved by the Board for the Settlement bungalow. In addition to this amount, we have in hand 400 gold given for the purpose, and I believe some hundreds of rupees are either in the hands of the Treasurer, or of the members of the Settlement upon the field given for the same purpose. So that there would seem to be ample funds in hand for the erection of the bungalow, and I do not understand that any further action of the Board is needed to authorize the purchase of land and the erection of the building, beyond of course its formal approval of the site, which I have no doubt would be given on the basis of such a unanimous or almost unanimous judgment of the Mission, as appears to have approved of the Malkapur proposal.

It is to be borne in mind that this famine money was available for this purpose only on con-



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dition that such an expenditure was essentially famine relief. If there is still any need for famine relief, and the expenditure upon the bungalow would provide such relief, then the use of this money in that way would be legitimate. But if there is need of famine relief, and such a use of the money would not provide such relief, then of course the question would need to be considered as to whether this money should not be held for such use as was intended by their original donors. But all this applies equally to the other items in the list which I have quoted. If the expenditure of these famine funds on the other buildings on this list is legitimate, it is equally legitimate to use this \$8000 Rupees toward the Settlement bungalow.

Once more, may I express sympathy with the Mission in the natural perplexities it has felt in dealing with a new mission problem of this sort, which seems to establish a branch of work for which in itself and in its relations to the Mission, there seems to be no precedent. The Board has felt, however, that more good than harm would result in the introduction of a little more flexibility in the work in various fields, and that there was unquestionably room, as the experience of the China Inland Mission and the London Missionary Society and the Methodist Board indicates, for such work as was contemplated in the Village Settlement project. Additional arguments for it might be drawn from the book which I have quoted in some personal letters, written by one of the most capable missionaries in China - Dr. Gibson, of the English Presbyterian Mission at Swatow, one of the most sensible and scientific books on Missions that I have seen. In any event, let us all accept the Settlement project as a plan finally determined upon in its main outlines, and let us go forward and give it now, either at Malkapur or elsewhere, - if some better place suggests itself, and Mr. <sup>Hammann</sup> ~~Mann~~ says he is able to suggest some better place, - that fair trial which surely the offering alike of life and money represented in the Settlement, entitled it to.

I do not mean to imply by what I have said that the Board picked out the Western India Mission in which to try this plan. You will understand its historical genesis. What I do mean to say is that the plan having been before the Board,

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and the Board believing that there was a principle involved that was worth trying, trusted to the cordiality of spirit and generosity of view of the Western India Mission to give the plan a just trial, and has had no occasion to feel that its confidence in the Mission was misplaced.

I am sure it is not necessary to repeat what is I think clear to all, that while the Settlement is viewed by the Board as an integral thing, it is also viewed by the Board as a part of the mission work, and as a Settlement is subject to Mission control, under the limitations, of course, of the continuance of its integral existence. The difficulties appear to have arisen out of the most natural desire of the other Stations to keep the members of the Settlement, rather than to allow them to be set off in a work by themselves, subject, as was originally contemplated and is essential, to the proper control of the Mission.

Miss Wilder has asked certain questions regarding the appropriations for the Village Settlement; first, with reference to that portion of her old salary, namely, \$240. relinquished for the work of the Settlement, whether this should not be relieved from any reduction on the mission appropriations when what is called the "cut," is adjusted. It seems to us that it should be so relieved. And also that, inasmuch as the Settlement work is a pure addition to the work of the Western India Mission, and represents in a peculiar way special contributions, both of life and money, it would be better to exempt it as far as possible for the present, from any reductions made by the Mission on its regular appropriations, which are neither more or less than they would have been if there had been no Village Settlement.

I am exceedingly sorry to have to report that Miss Elizabeth Campbell, who was under assignment to the Western India Mission, has withdrawn, and although we have tried diligently to get someone to take her place, we have thus far failed. We had hoped to send a Miss Enright, who seemed well qualified, and who was ready to go, but who, in her last letter, says that she cannot go this Fall, and could not start probably before Spring. We have, accordingly, advised her waiting until a year from this Fall. If, however, she finds later that she can go out in the



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Winter conveniently, we shall be most happy to send her on.

You will have welcomed back Mr. and Mrs. Irwin before this letter reaches you. It was a great pleasure to see them in this country, and to have them leave so much better than when they came. In due time we shall hope that Mr. Simonson may be able to go back also. Of the safe arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Tedford you will have already heard. I was away from New York when they passed through, but hope to see them later.

We continue to get letters from the supporters of the famine orphans complaining that they fail to receive word regarding them. Mr. Emerson writes that he has thus far learned nothing, although he received a postal card promising a report several months ago. I will repeat what was said in a previous letter, about our understanding of the situation, and our complete sympathy with you in the difficulties in which you are involved in this matter; but, as you know, this is a type of giving where special information of this sort is absolutely essential. I suggested to Mr. and Mrs. Irwin the possibility of finding in each Station, some native who could write English sufficiently well to make up these reports; even though his English would happen to be a little peculiar, it would not matter, indeed it would add to the interest of his reports, and you could have printed slips explaining the matter, which could be inserted in each letter. At least in a Station like Kodoli, where there are so many children, I should think that something of this sort could be done. It would be altogether profitable even if it cost a little.

You will have heard by cablegram promptly, doubtless, of the assassination of Mr. McKinley. It seems strange that we should have had these three experiences of this sort, each one really worse and less excusable than its predecessor, although all of them have been both beyond excuse and understanding. But when President Lincoln was shot, the country was full of hot passions, and for years had been living in the midst of bloodshed and the excitement of war. It is scarcely strange that such circumstances should have led a fanatical man to an act of violence, which resulted in Lincoln's death. Furthermore, when Garfield was shot, it was at a time

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when political passions were greatly excited by a great conflict over the distribution of Spoils, and when, although in a milder way than at the close of the Civil War, political feelings were hot and excited. But Mr. McKinley was killed in a time of perfect quiet, by a man who could not possibly imagine that he had been wronged by him in any way, who could not possibly hope to accomplish anything either in a way of revenge, which there was no ground for his desiring, or in a way of change of government system, which there was no possibility of his effecting. What a lesson we can learn of the hideousness of sin! and what a stern summons it is to put down the anarchy which exists in our own hearts, now that we see how terrible are the fruits of anarchy in the nation's life! It must be that God means to call us in this way to more moderation of spirit, to more self-restraint, to more charity and kindness of judgment, and to more righteousness and integrity of life. And a more unrelenting hatred of everything that is evil, first of all in ourselves, that so we may hate and destroy it in others and in the institutions under which we live.

In the newspapers and in the tone of public conversation, I think one can see already, a distinct change. There is a spirit of humility, of self-repression, coupled with a new sense of confidence in the living God, not noticeable before. It is striking to see how the sensational papers, which only a few months ago were caricaturing and abusing and refiling the President, have completely changed their tone with reference to the new President, not because of any amendment of opinion or any change of regard, but solely, I think, because they feel that crimes like that which has been committed, are made easier through the intemperateness of the public press and public speech, which speaks without respect of rulers, and encourages the spirit of lawlessness and of treason. We have many lessons to learn in this line, and I suppose that such stern and austere discipline as this is necessary for us. Otherwise, God would not allow it to come. Let us pray that it may not have come in vain, and that the whole people, made more serious and sober of heart, may take up, with new faith the real duties of life, and be more ready to think of the world's need and of the influence of Christ, because of this fresh revelation that the nation has had of



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its own need.

With warm regards to all.

Your sincere friend,



September 24th, 1901.

Mrs. A. L. Wiley,

Batnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mrs. Wiley:-

I am enclosing this little letter for you in the envelope for Mr. Wiley, containing a copy of the Mission letter, concerned chiefly with the Village Settlement: I want to thank you for your good letter of June 12th. I am writing to Mr. Emerson, telling him that he will probably hear from you before long. As you will see from the Mission letter, a note from him just received says that he has had nothing as yet from the field. He is such a good man, and so generous, that I tremble lest he might feel that money expended in some other way would be more profitably used. I hope if you have not already written to him that you can manage to do so, or perhaps Mr. Marshall could write him a letter about his orphans under your care.

I have not seen very much of Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson since they came. They were in several times at the beginning of the Summer, but I have not seen them about recently, and I am not sure that they have been in the city for some weeks. I shall be expecting to see more of them, and get to know them better during this Winter.

I hope you have had better word about your brother since you wrote, and that the climate of Colorado is proving very favorable and helpful to him. It is good to hear of Mr. Wiley's splendid health, and also that your health has been so good. You must be careful not to overdo. You ought to live to spend thirty or forty years at least in mission work in India.

You will be seeing before long, Mr. Richardson, who will tell you about the New Missionaries' Conference this last June. We had a good time. Indeed, we have all come to look forward to these Conferences as one of the most delightful weeks in the year. Thus far I cannot think of any unpleasant incident connected

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with any of them, although two or three times it has been necessary to tell young men or women who had come to them, that it would not be possible to encourage their going further. Still, in the atmosphere of the Conference, and face to face with these matters, which would have been very painful and difficult otherwise, have not proved so. These Conferences illustrate the great truth that most of our difficulties arise from failure to understand one another, or to occupy sympathetically a common point of view.

I received a letter this morning from one of the secretaries of the State Young Men's Christian Association of Pennsylvania. He is speaking about a Bible Conference in which I have been interested, because Pennsylvania is my old state, and he is setting forth the necessity for its development, he describing the present conditions surrounding the Association Movement. He writes:

"Compromise is in the air. Subtle and weakening teaching - half truth and half error - is insidiously making inroads where we would least suppose. Worldliness and business pressure are neutralizing the influence and work of some of the strong Christian workers in our volunteer ranks. Specialization along the line of so called departments is breaking the unity of the great spiritual purpose of our movement, frequently making the spiritual work one of the many 'departments.'

"In other instances where this is not true, the Secretary is so engrossed with many details and the care of an immense plant, that he allows himself to be cheated out of time for personal communion and Bible study, and thus loses relish for the very work that the Association exists to do, and in which his logical position is that of leader. With volunteer workers, allowing themselves to be hindered by selfish pursuit of pleasure or gain, and with the General Secretaries weakened in their leadership by neglect of their spiritual needs, and with the great host of un-saved young men confronting us, together with the deadly work of false teaching and destructive criticism within the fold, surely there is presented an awful need for just such a gathering as our Bible Conference."

That is a picture of more things than the situation of the Association Movement, isn't it? Where is there a Christian movement, whose agents are not in danger of just the same spiritual impoverishment? Surely we need to be on our guard every day, and to watch, lest when we have preached to others, we ourselves should be castaways. Let us go deeply into the Divine life open to us as the hiding place and the unfailing spring of our own life.

Mr. Russell Carter was very anxious to have either Dr. Halsey or me go up to the Annual Meeting of the Gloversville Church this year, at the time the pledges

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were to be renewed. We could not go, however, and Mr. John Forman went, expecting to be there I believe this last Sunday. I have not yet heard what kind of a day they had, but you know how good a man he is, and I am sure his coming must have been a real blessing to the church, and have quickened their interest in the great land where he was born, and to which he and you have given your lives.

With warm regards to all.

Your sincere friend,



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Miss E. Emily Scheurman,

Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Scheurman:-

I am sending to the Mission and the Settlement by this mail a letter, which I trust may assist in bringing to a conclusion the long discussions over the location of the Settlement. I do not wonder at all at the long discussion where a Mission feels the responsibility which it bears and desires sincerely to discharge; there will always be times when a good deal of discussion must take place before a common view can be reached; but I hope that now a general judgment may be reached, that will be all the more satisfactory because there has been ample time to go over the whole question from top to bottom. It does not seem necessary to go into the matter in detail in each of those letters to the Settlement, because my letter to the Mission, I hope, covers the ground.

I think there is a great deal to be thankful for in the fact that you have already had this experience in other Stations. It will be a great help to you and Dr. Stewart to have the memory of Mr. Harnum's unwearying patience in his hard field as you set out in your own separate work. I hope that you may not have to wait long before your hearts are encouraged by real results; but in case you should, it will strengthen you to think of the many faithful men and women all over the world who have waited long and patiently, and are waiting yet, and praying for salvation yet to come.

I think sometimes that there is a type of faith that enables some people to bring their work to an issue in definite results. One sees it here at home. There will be two men side by side, equally earnest and consecrated and energetic; but one will be rejoicing in constant visible results, while the other will not. I do not think that the difference is due to a lack of devotion or consecration on

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the part of the one, but is due often to the possession of a peculiar kind of quality by the other. I am not sure whether <sup>every</sup> one of us can possess that quality or not; but probably each one can possess more of it than he has. I believe a good deal of the secret lies in the capacity for personal adjustment and sympathetic persuasion, and a definite will, by the help of God's Spirit, to change another will.

I have just been writing to Mr. Hannum, and have quoted to him a number of extracts from the addresses delivered in Constantinople some time ago, in memory of old Dr. Elias Riggs, a Congregational missionary, famous for his noble character, his great learning, his services in Bible translation, and the simplicity and beauty of his nature. I hope Mr. Hannum will read these quotations to you, for I know you will be glad to feel the inspiration of them.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

F. S.

Since writing the above, your good letter of August 28th has been received. I think my letter to the Mission really covers all the inquiries in it. I was very sorry, though, to learn of the visitation of plague that you were having at Sangli, and earnestly hope that it may in some way be broken.

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Miss Mary J. Thomson,  
 Vengurle, Bombay Presidency,  
 India.

My Dear Miss Thomson:-

I am discharging my conscience of a burden which rests upon it on account of my negligence in corresponding with the members of the Village Settlement. To you and to Miss Giles especially, I have been under a crushing debt. I have before me your letters of December 13th, March 29th, May 2nd, and July 29th and 30th, none of which I fear I have as yet answered. The letter which goes to the Mission by this mail, a copy of which is sent to Miss Wilder and to the Secretary of the Settlement also, will answer fully your last note of July 30th, which refers to the recent discussion in the Mission as to the location of the Settlement, which has also led to the re-opening of the whole question of the existence of the Settlement. I trust that now the matter may be arranged harmoniously and satisfactorily, and that there may be a thorough and fair trial given to the Settlement plan. What else is a great deal of the China Inland Mission work in interior China? and what else is much of our own work? The work which Miss Wherry and Dr. Allen and Miss Savage have done in the Lodiana field is just this same kind of work. They have charge of the Station of Jagraon, which is in connection with the Lodiana Station, and they have carried on a great touring work, reaching last year 240 villages. It is just the kind of work that you are planning to do, and the Lodiana Mission instead of having difficulties over it, would gladly enlarge it. The only difference is that this work has grown naturally out of the Lodiana Mission's work, and is not added as a distinct movement on a slightly different financial basis, as with you, but in principle, it seems to me, the work is just the same; and I expect to see your work splendidly successful, and pray that God may guide you in it and bless



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your efforts from the outset.

I thank you for your bright letter of July 29th, giving the news of June and July in Venezuela. Copies of it are being made for use by Dr. Halsey in the Church papers, and among the supporters of the famine orphans. I am also copying your letter of May 2nd regarding the famine orphans. I hope that none of you will be discouraged in writing because of any slowness in replying. I will do the best I can, and you will always know, I am sure, that your letters are sent on their way doing good here.

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Very cordially yours,



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The Rev. G. W. Seiler,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Seiler:

I enclose herewith a copy of a mission letter, largely taken up with a discussion of the Village Settlement. I hope it may help to bring matters to a definite conclusion, in order that the Settlement, as I gather, is your judgment also, may be given a fair and adequate trial.

I must write just a note accompanying the mission letter to thank you for your letter of July 26th and Mrs. Seiler for one of July 16th.

It is very gratifying to learn of the continued evidences of the work of God's spirit on the hearts of the people in your field. Both from the India and Japan fields, where for some time the work of our Church has not been specially fruitful, there have come this past year reports of most happy awakenings. It is estimated that in Tokyo there have been about 6000 conversions, most of these I suspect have been in connection with our Churches. Dr. Alexander writes from Kyoto, Japan that he thinks this movement is only the beginning, and that the conditions in Japan are ripe for a great ingathering. Surely, there have been enough years of seed sowing and the time has come when we ought to begin to reap. If our Lord could say 1900 years ago that the time for sowing had past and that the time for reaping had come in a district like Samaria, surely, we ought to be able to say the same thing in many sections of the mission field to-day, where for

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years and generations the Gospel has been preached with clearness and fidelity; where multitudes of children have been taught in mission schools; where thousands of pages of the Scriptures and of Christian books have been circulated, and where prayer has gone up unceasingly from many hearts for the ingathering of the harvest.

Please tell Mrs. Seiler that not only did I enjoy her good letter of July 16th, but Dr. Halsey took it and made numerous extracts from it, which he will print either in the Assembly Herald or in the Church papers.

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With kind regards to Mrs. Seiler and yourself, I am,

Very sincerely yours,





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September 24th, 1901.

Miss Alice L. Giles,  
Sengli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Miss Giles:-

It shames me to look back over the little pile of letters which I have received from you this year, and which I have not answered. I know you will not believe that this was through any want of appreciation. You seem to have a special gift for easy and effective writing, and I hope you will not fail to exercise it. But to tell the truth, I have been expecting each week to hear of some definite settlement of the question as to the location of your little group, and have found it hard to think of you as scattered and waiting still for the real trial of your plan to begin. The letter which goes to the Mission by this mail, copies of which I am sending to each Station, together with an extra copy to the Settlement, and another to Miss Wilder, will, I hope, aid the Mission to reach a clear and final judgment of the matter.

It has been a great help to have the letters from the various members of the Settlement, and I admire the skill and good judgment with which you have all written.

At the same time I am sure that the experiences of the past year will have been really useful and helpful to you all, as you recognize in your letters. You will have gained an insight into the work of various Stations, an acquaintance with the language, and experiences which will be invaluable to you as you inaugurate your own Settlement work.

I made copies of some of your little notes for Dr. Halsey, who will put them in the Church papers or in the Assembly Herald. And I am very much obliged to you for your kindness in sending the two articles by Mr. Mulligan, and also the



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sketch of his life and death. You must write more of these little notes, and longer stories, too.

I have just been looking over the report of the Memorial Service for the late Dr. Riggs, the veteran missionary of the American Board in Constantinople, who died January 17th, 1901. It was a noble old life that came to its end that Winter day. These are some of the statements made by those who had known him for years at the Memorial Service:

"Dr. Riggs was one of the few distinguished men, gifted with great intellectual and linguistic ability, nevertheless we never saw in him a spirit of pride and vanity; on the contrary, he was by nature very meek and humble. Every time I visited him, I saw in him a growth in grace. When not long ago I went to congratulate him on his ninetieth birthday, and, thinking that this might be my last opportunity, said to him, 'In the name of the churches of Bithynia and the whole Protestant community, I present sincerest thanks for your great and blessed work,' in his own sweet and humble way he replied, 'I give thanks to God, who gave me grace and opportunity to perform this work, and to my Saviour I render all the glory and praise.'"

"Another trait of Dr. Riggs was conscientiousness. There are good men who do not intentionally do wrong, but who live in a easy, careless way, with no very delicate sense of right and duty, and not holding themselves to a very strict account of their conduct. Such was not the character of him whom we speak. His conscientiousness did not go to the extreme of asceticism, for he had a sound common sense which kept him from all fads and excesses. But he was scrupulously conscientious in everything. This was seen in his use of his time. So long as he had strength for work, he esteemed it both a duty and a delight to work. If his strength permitted but one or two hours of work a day, he limited himself to that, but that much he did faithfully. Through much of his life he suffered from physical weakness, yet the total result of his life-work was marvellous, because of the conscientious use he made of his hours and minutes."

"Dr. Riggs was a humble man. This was a quality, the fragrance of which we detected, as we do the sweet scent of the violet, by his presence in the room."

Of course Dr. Riggs' great work was in Bible translation, and in that, the thing that was specially noted, next to the primary matters, was his unflinching consideration to his junior associates, whose judgment of course was of little value in comparison with his. Of the spirit in which he did his work, those who specially had the Memorial Service said:

"His faith in the Word of God was so absolute, so sincere, so settled a thing, so wrought into every fibre of his mental and spiritual being, that it ceased to be true, long before I knew him, even if it could ever be said to be true, that the responsibility he laboured under in transferring the sacred text from the original tongues into the languages of these lands, was of the nature of a burden."

"He was never laboured. He had the gift of first rapidly seeing straight to

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the heart of a subject, and then making it clear to his readers in a few plain and lucid sentences. His tendency was to prune, thus leaving the rest light, luminous and stimulating. His way out of a difficulty was always simple, never tortuous or complicated, and so inspired confidence. And then, his standpoint of interpretation was invariably that of intense humility before God. With a robust Calvinism, he always left God absolute on His throne, feeling sure that, whatever might be the apparent difficulties, the Judge of all the earth would do right. He had the humility of boundless trust; and his confidence in God was thus implicit because it merged into intense and saintlike love. In his interpretation of Scripture, there never was, therefore, any sternness or harshness. The spirit of adoption in him was too thorough to make it possible for him to think of the sovereignty of God apart from His love.

That is a fine picture of a noble life, and of the fountains that fed it. I believe there is something in the missionary work which develops such great character. Would that we might all feel it more, and grow up not unto the greatness of such men only, but even unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ!

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

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Sent. 24th 1901

Miss Grace E. Wilder,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Wilder:

I have written a letter to the mission by this mail, dealing with the Village Settlement question. I have tried to appreciate the varying views regarding it, and to do them justice and hope that this letter will lead to a speedy and harmonious judgment and to a definite location of the Settlement, either at Malcapur, or at any better place in the field. If such a place can be found. All that has been written regarding Malcapur seems exceedingly favorable and the almost unanimous vote in its favor would appear to indicate that it is as satisfactory a place as can be found. I don't know that it is necessary to take up the question in any greater detail in this letter, as I have tried to discuss it fully in the letter to the Mission. I have answered in my letter the question that you ask as to the possibility of sending out more ladies for the regular work of the Mission. We simply have not got them. I am writing to the Bible Institute in Chicago, asking if they cannot suggest some to us, but the trouble is even when we get on the track of some that time must pass before they can be ready to go? We had supposed that we had one or two good women for the Mission, but at the last moment they drop out.

I am sorry to hear of the shock to which you were subjected by the burglary and hope that you may not have any more such experiences and that both you and your mother will get quite well and strong and so.



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Nothing has been done in the way of finding a successor for Miss Hamilton, because it seemed a great deal better to wait until something positive was decided in regard to the Settlement, especially as there are now five members of the Settlement on the field including yourself.

I have not done my duty in writing to various members of the Settlement. It will be easier when you are all together in one place. I have had splendid letters from all of the young women, the last one from Dr. Stewart received a fortnight ago. It is a gratification to see such an unanimity among them as to the desirable course of action, and we are hoping that when all are together in their own field, it may be to begin and carry on the work which will be attended from the outset with great blessing.

With kind regards to your mother and yourself,

Your sincere friend,

S. Since writing the above your letter of August 30th has come. I do not know what more I can say than I said in my letter to you and my letter to the Mission. I have written to Miss Strong in Chicago, and hope that we can find one or two good women to send out to the Mission this Fall.



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November 14th, 1900

Mrs. Lucy H. Ferris,

Pelham Manor, N. Y.

My Dear Mrs. Ferris:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I have no very full information from Western India about Mr. Seiler. Evidently you have heard just as much as I have. All that I know is the following extract from Mrs. Gohsen's letter of Oct. 3rd, which was received more than two weeks ago.

"I do not know if I am the first to tell you of the sorrow that has come upon our station and indeed upon the whole Mission. Mr. Seiler has broken down in health - owing we believe to overwork and anxiety. The trouble seems to be as much, perhaps more, mental than physical. Our good old doctor who has known Mr. Seiler all his missionary life, is hopeless over the case though he knows that there was recovery after an attack like this some years ago. He insisted upon a change of climate as speedily as possible so the family went to Mahabaleshwar a week ago, Mr. Graham accompanying them in order to insure as favourable conditions to recovery as may be. The accounts we have are not very hopeful, but it is too soon to judge of the effects of the change. This is a great sorrow to us personally and makes the station work very heavy - but "strength for the day" is still given to us".

You will remember that Mr. Seiler had an experience of this sort when he was home some years ago and it was only after getting the careful opinion of a specialist in mental troubles that the Board approved of Mr. Seiler's return to India. I hope he may come through this experience as favorably as he did the last.

Thank you very much for your kind invitation to come to speak at your meeting the second Wednesday evening in February, but I have already as many appointments for that week as I can make. I would suggest the name of the Rev. H. G. Underwood, D. D. of Korea, one of


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our very best missionaries, who is now at home, and who can be addressed at 99 St. James Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. The Rev. C. E. Fenn of Chin who is here in Dr. Brown's place during his absence, is also a first rate speaker and he is living at New Rochelle, so that he could very easily get to Pelham Manor for a meeting.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,



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Mrs. J. M. Goheen,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mrs. Goheen:

Your good letter of October 3rd was received on October 28th. It is possible there may have been some mistakes in dates, but this seems an extraordinarily quick trip for a letter to make. You acknowledge in your letter the receipt of mine of June 21st, enclosing Mrs. Bristol's and giving you permission to draw \$500 of Mrs. Bristol for the support of orphan children. In September we received \$50 more from Mrs. Bristol for some orphan in the School under your care. You wanted \$25 of it for the present year and \$25 of it for the next year. I believe this was acknowledged in the regular receipts by Mr. Hand and the \$25 given for this year included in the regular appropriations to be applied to the support of any one of the orphans in the School or under your care, who is part of the regular work covered by this year's appropriations. I enclose a letter from Mrs. Bristol, and I hope you will find time to write to her again.

On this whole matter of the famine orphans, I think it will be necessary to ask the Mission to make a complete report, in order that we may avoid all confusion between donors and also between special funds and the regular appropriations. In my next letter to the Mission, I shall speak about the matter.

We have received a letter from the Woman's Board in Philadelphia, containing an extract of a letter of your to Mr. T. C. Anderson, making an appeal for funds for the support of famine orphans. C

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the basis of your letter, the Pittsburg Presbyterial Society sent out an appeal to their Auxiliaries. The Philadelphia Board was quite a little distressed at this and Mrs. Fishburn wrote as follows:

"Is it the right thing for Missionaries and their friends at home to send out these appeals without referring to the Board for authority? They think it is not going to take from their regular receipts, but the cases are few and rare where it does not. At this very time the Pittsburg and Allegheny Com. are a good deal more than this \$235. behind in their regular contributions".

Of course we must provide in some way for these famine orphans, and each one of us ought to do everything possible to get the necessary funds. But it would be a great deal better if we could do it in such a way as to avoid friction and to escape encroaching upon the regular receipts. If you make any other appeals, will you not send them, for example, through us here. You can write them just as if you were writing directly and we can post them here, only this will enable us to keep everything consistent and harmonious.

Our impression had been derived from letters from the field that all orphans were now provided for. It is evident, however, from your letter to Mrs. Anderson that this is a mistake. From this it is all the more evident that we must have a complete and detail statement of just what the present situation is.

Your letter was the first to inform us, and, indeed, has been the last regarding Mr. Seiler. I am sorry to hear that he had broken down again. You will remember that he suffered in the same way, when he was home on furlough several years ago. Still he recovered so completely then that we must hope that he will recover as completely now.

It will not be very long before we get the reports from the Mission Meeting, and also the Minutes. I am looking forward to their coming. You have had a blessed year and I know how much encouragement we will get from reading the reports. I hope the next year



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may be richer and more fruitful still.

Trusting that you and Mr. Goheen are both very well and with kindest regards, I am,

Your sincere friend,

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November 25th, 1901.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

I am very happy to be able to tell you that Miss Grace Enright, regarding whom I wrote in my last letter to the Mission, will be able to leave for the field in January. The exact date of her sailing has not yet been determined. Miss Enright is from Virginia, although she has been for some months studying in the Bible Institute in Chicago. Mrs. Pratt, the Chairman of the Candidate Committee of the Board of the Northwest, writes regarding her:

"Miss Enright is charming. She is somewhat under the medium size, but attractive in appearance, and with the charm of manner and conversation which only a Christian lady possesses."

Miss Mary Forman, of the Furrukhabad Mission, who knew her at the Bible Institute, says in answer to the question, Would you recommend her for appointment, "Certainly, provided she is strong enough." And adds, "Her Christian character is beautiful, and she was highly thought of at the Institute. Her Christian life is deep, and she is much given to prayer and Bible study." Regarding her health, of course we have a careful medical certificate, in which the Doctor approves of her appointment, and says that she is accustomed to long hot Summers, and endures heat well. Dr. Humble, of West Virginia, writes of her, "In intellectual ability, devotion, strength of Christian fidelity, good judgment and pleasantness, Miss Enright will meet the needs of the work." Miss Enright has never taught school, although she has had a good deal of experience in evangelistic work, Sunday school teaching, etc. I think she will prove an efficient and capable worker.

We should have preferred of course to have sent Miss Enright out earlier, or if the need in the Mission had not been so great, to have kept her here until next Fall; but inasmuch as she can go in January, and the Mission is in such need of all the reinforcements it can get, it seemed to us it was best to arrange for her

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going on immediately, although it may be necessary to see that she goes off to Mahableshwar, or to spend some time at Kodoli before the most trying weather begins.

I have had a letter from Mr. Sturgis, acknowledging the receipt of various letters from the field regarding his orphans, and expressing a desire to have from the Board in New York, a complete list of all the children whom he is supporting, giving the name, age and sex of each child. This request of Mr. Sturgis's, which is not unnatural, for, as he says, he has assumed a pretty heavy load in order to provide for the two hundred children whom he is supporting in the three Missions in India, suggests the wisdom of our getting a complete list of all the famine orphans now under the care of the Missions, so as to be able to know just what obligations are to be met, and so as also, to incorporate this work, as will doubtless be best and in due time, into the regular work, and bring it within the regular appropriations. It is possible that a number of famine orphans have already been absorbed in the regular institutions of the Missions, and so have come under the regular appropriations. I would ask, accordingly, that the Mission furnish us at as early a date as possible, the following information regarding the famine orphans: (1) The name of each; (2) Age; (3) Sex; (4) The present location; (5) Name of missionary in charge; (6) Name of ~~present~~ person supporting the orphan; (7) Amount given; (8) For what period has the support been undertaken; (9) Is the orphan thus specially provided for, or is it under regular appropriations? All this information should be tabulated so as to save trouble.

In asking for the information which he wished regarding his orphans, Mr. Sturgis expressed the hope that he might have it within three months. I told him that this was a rather short time; but if you will kindly have this information sent immediately, I can pick out what belongs to Mr. Sturgis, and send it to him.

I earnestly hope that the matter will not go by default, as was the case with our request last year for information regarding the exact number of orphans cared for in each Station, and how provided for. I know how easily such questions can be overlooked under the pressure of far more important work; but if each Station



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Secretary will kindly gather this information at once and forward it to us. I think it will contribute to our securing a permanent support for a large number of these children.

Some time ago, a Hindu named Tengshe, from Kolhapur, called with a letter of introduction from Mr. Seiler. I had a long and pleasant talk with him, and gave him Mr. Simonson's address, to whom he also had a letter. Later I wrote to Mr. Simonson, whom I feared Dr. Tengshe might not find, and also to Mr. Fleming, who is now studying here, and who was for years in Lahore, giving them Dr. Tengshe's <sup>address</sup>, in the hope that their knowledge of India would enable them to get into close relationship with Dr. Tengshe, and be of real help to him here in disposing his mind more favorably toward Christianity. I have not heard from him for some time.

The Minutes and Reports of the Mission Meeting have of course not yet come to hand, and we are looking for them with hopeful anticipations, knowing that they will be full of encouragement and good cheer.

We have learned with the deepest regret of the sickness of Mr. Seiler, and earnestly hope that he is steadily improving, and may soon be able to resume his work again.

You will have welcomed back before this, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, after their rest at home, and will have greeted Mr. and Mrs. Richardson. I wish a much larger number of new missionaries might have been sent, but with Mr. Irwin and Mr. Richardson the scanty force of the Mission will be very appreciably increased. I hope that they have had a pleasant voyage, and can imagine what a cordial welcome they received.

Our hearts sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Hannam in their great sorrow in the death of their little child at Marugao. The Western India Mission has been called to pass through no small measure of sorrow and of sacrifice in its history. Let us hope and pray that every such loss may mean to us more of His grace, Who is able alone with perfect comfort to console, and to fit us by all such suffering for more perfect service.



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I have just been reading a delightful book, the Memoir of Henry Venn. Venn was, as you know, for years the Secretary of the Church Missionary Society, and his is the great and honored name in their history. There is a great deal in this little book that is very helpful on the side of missionary method. There is an Appendix of about 130 pages, dealing with questions like, "The Organization of Native Churches," "Politics and Missions," "Ecclesiastical Relations of Missionary Work" etc. Apart from the Appendix, there is a great deal that is very fresh and helpful spiritually. He must have been a fine man. There was a long ancestry of consecration and usefulness lying back of him. Of one of his ancestors who died in 1737, it is related that -

"A medical friend, the late John Pearson, Esq., who frequently visited him at this time, observed that the near prospect of dissolution so elated his mind with joy, that it proved a stimulus to life. Upon one occasion Mr. Venn himself remarked some fatal appearances, exclaiming, 'Surely these are good symptoms!' Mr. Pearson replied, 'Sir, in this state of joyous excitement you cannot die'.

What his spirit was is indicated by quotations like these from his letters:

"The impression left on our minds is such as I desire to cherish forever - that real religion makes a Divine change in the heart; the constant glow of sacred affections, and the ardent aspirations after perfect holiness and unclouded vision of God, which each successive letter exhibits, remind me perpetually of the promise of our Saviour, 'I shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life'; that is, I conceive, the holy affections which the Spirit excites in the soul shall be like the waters of a perennial spring, ever rising fresh and pure, and not to be checked or repressed by any superincumbent weight. In one view, such an example is discouraging; but on the other hand, when a more intimate view shows us that these measures of grace were granted to a proportionable degree of diligence in the ordinary means of grace, and that he himself confessed that they were dependent upon his constant communion with God in prayer and meditation and duty of the Written Word, it becomes a spur to our sluggishness, and reminds us of the words, 'Ye have not, because ye ask not'.

The true way of increasing our faith is to act upon it as far as it goes, and thank God for it, even though it be but 'as a grain of mustard seed'.

Look upon the bright side of everything, dwell upon what you enjoy above others, and not upon what you suffer more than others. When you rise in the morning, reflect, God has placed me in the situation exactly suited to my best interests. He will give me grace to conduct myself aright in it, if I ask Him. Remember that beautiful exhortation, 'to adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things', was first addressed to persons in the most trying and degraded situation, even to servants before Christianity had ameliorated their condition to its present degree. 'Not answering again' was to be one way in which they were to adorn their profession (Titus ii: 9), which implies that silent meekness under provocation is part of the beauty of holiness.

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If you are in doubt how you ought to act, have recourse to prayer for wisdom. Expect and trust that your mind will be inclined and your judgment informed to pursue the right course, and then act upon it, trusting that in the end it will prove right, and not heeding the misgivings which are apt to arise afterwards."

It is a great thing that the foundations of the Church Missionary Society's work were laid by a man who combined, as Vern did, large practical wisdom with this warm, simple Christian faith. I wish we all could have more of it, and grow in it every day.

With warm regards to all.

Very sincerely yours,

P. S.

Since writing last to the Mission, we have received money for the following famine orphans cared for by the missionaries in the Western India Mission: From C. H. Baneroff, in behalf of his Sunday school, Marshall, Minn., one boy, under the care of the Rev. E. M. Wilson; from Mrs. Bristol, for six boys under the care of Mrs. Holcomb, six boys under the care of Miss Brown, and \$300. for children for under the care of Mr. Wiley; one boy and one girl under the care of Miss Brown, from Miss Mary C. Adams, St. Clairsville, Ohio; and for two orphans under the care of Miss Brown, from Dr. E. St. George Elliott, 311 Madison Avenue, N. Y. City.

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The Rev. A. L. Wiley,  
Ratnagiri,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Wiley:-

Your good letter of October 25th was received just three days ago. In sending the accompanying Mission letter, I have an opportunity to drop a note of personal greeting to you and Mrs. Wiley. I am so glad to hear of your success and Mrs. Wiley's and Dr. McArthur's in passing the second year's language examinations. You have done well, not alone in this, but in all the rest of your missionary work, and I am sure that you will have a long and useful life before you. A great deal depends on the sensible, energetic way in which one starts in. I am sure that you have begun now in a way that promises the best of success for the future.

We were disappointed to learn from your letter that Mr. Seiler was no better, and that you all feared that his work in India was ended. It may be so, but I remember some years ago that he had an experience of this same sort, and came through it all right. We shall hope that the same may be true now.

It is delightful to get the good tidings of baptisms in Ratnagiri and Vengurle. You must have had a very encouraging Mission Meeting this year, and we shall be looking forward with great anticipation to the minutes and reports. I was glad to hear that the Settlement question had been adjusted, for the present at least, and hope that it has been an adjustment thoroughly satisfactory both to the young women, and to the rest of the Mission.

Mr. John Forman went up to your Gloversville Church when the pledges were renewed this year, and Mr. Carter wrote that not alone were the old pledges renewed, but some new pledges were secured, and that they had had a very good day.

You will note the request of the enclosed Mission letter regarding famine



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orphans. I know that you will send the information just as soon as you conveniently can.

With kindest regards to all.

Very cordially yours,

P. S.

Mrs. J. B. Moore Bristor, of Baltimore, who has already given us quite a little money for the famine orphans, sends now \$500. more. I gather from the fact that Mrs. Goheen has sent some appeals home for contributions for the orphans that you have a number not yet provided for, and that this \$500. of Mrs. Bristor's might be applied to them. I have written about her in letters to Mrs. Goheen and Miss Brown. She is a woman of some peculiarity of character evidently; but she has taken a deep and devoted interest in this famine orphan work. I enclose herewith some letters from her for the missionaries under whose care these orphans are. I shall put her down in our list as the supporter of twenty more orphans in the Western India Mission, and will you please take this into account in making the report which I have asked for in the Mission letter?

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December 7th, 1901.

The Rev. A. W. Marshall,  
Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Marshall:

Your note of October 28th, announcing your engagement to Dr. Stewart, was received several days ago, and I reported it to the Board at its meeting on Monday. I write to congratulate both you and Dr. Stewart and to assure you of our rejoicing with you both in your new life plans. Will you please express to Dr. Stewart our hearty congratulations. I am sure that you are to be congratulated equally. You did not say when you and Dr. Stewart were hoping to be married; possibly the estimates for the new year will indicate that. But we shall sincerely wish for you both a life of great gladness and usefulness in the service of Him who has bound you together in a common love for one another, as well as for Him and for His work.

I was reading the other evening going home on the train, after some meetings that had kept me very late into the night, a sermon by Dr. Maclaren of Manchester, England, entitled "Evangelical Mysticism". It was a very interesting sermon coming from an old man and one of the best known preachers in the world, dealing as he said, with "a side of evangelical Christianity which though theoretically recognized by all, does not enter in its due proportion into either the mind or experience of most of us". This was what he said at the outset regarding the character of the mysticism in which he believed and of which he was speaking:

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The central principle of mysticism rightly understood, is simply the direct communion of the human with the Divine Spirit; and we all admit, in theory, at least, that that truth is shrouded in the very Holy of Holies of our faith. Those to whom Christianity is mainly the republication, in loftier form and more heart-affecting sanctions, of the purest morality, and those to whom it is mainly a system of reasoned dogma, may and will turn from this, its deepest content, with a shrug of distaste; but as long as the truth of an indwelling Spirit stands in the forefront of New Testament teaching, and as long as the insight of a pure heart leads into a region far above that to which ethics and reasoning carry, so long will the mystical element enter into all living Christian experience, and be a fundamental part of the Christian belief. But while that is true, it is also true that few of us receive the light of Christ's revelation on a perfectly level mirror without distraction or failure to reflect some part of the beams, and I venture to think that this want of proportion has a conspicuous instance in the place in the average Christian man's thoughts held by the constellation of truths clustering round the central one of the indwelling Spirit. These make up the galaxy which I have ventured to call Evangelical Mysticism. Like other galaxies, they shine but intermittently and feebly in our cloudy sky, and seen but points of light, whereas they are suns.

We may sum up these truths roughly as being - the direct communion of the human with the Divine Spirit, the actual communication of a new life-principle from Jesus Christ and the reciprocal indwelling of Christ in the Christian and of the Christian in Christ. You will no doubt be ready to say: 'all these I steadfastly believe', and I do not question that they all have a recognized place in the usual creed, but they are not as they should be, facts to us, verified by experience and habitually present to consciousness. The proportion which they should hold in our minds may be ascertained by considering the proportion which they hold in the New Testament.

I have thought a great deal about this subject in the last few years, and it seems to me it is the very essence of Christianity, and that unless Christianity is a Divine indwelling, the personal possession of the inner life by the spiritual and living Christ, it does not differ in any such essential character from other religions which makes it worth our while to be very diligent in spreading it, or as vindicates in any way our hope that we can spread it with success. And in our own personal lives, I do believe that we need to lay more emphasis upon this truth, and to make it a practical part of our daily thinking and feeling. We may not understand the mystery of it all, but the fact of it the Scriptures make perfectly clear.

A good deal of our religious thinking in the past . . . I believe, one-sided. Dr. Maclaren speaks of this in his sermon, referring to "The great evangelical truths of Christ's sacrificial death which are sometimes treated in a very special manner."

"These may be crystallized into the phrase 'Christ for us' while the others may be summed up in the watch-word, 'Christ in us'. It cannot be denied that those who have most strongly grasped the conception of Christ's relation to men set forth in the latter expression have been apt to regard it as the whole Gospel, and have failed to unite it with the conception set forth in the former. Neglected truths when once discerned, have a way of avenging themselves by taking exclusive possession. No doubt, the tendency of Christian Mystics has been to treat the segment of the circle, which was so radiant to them, as being the perfect round, as witness George Fox and the early Friends and many another instance. On the other hand, the same tendency has operated on the other side. Hence these two condensations of great and blessed truths have been pitted against each other, to the great detriment of both, and have been made the war cries of antagonists instead of being embroidered together on the one banner of a fraternal host. 'What God has joined together let no man put asunder'; and He has joined these two truths together, so as that either, without the other, is incomplete and weakened. There is no basis for the faith that Christ is in us, but the assurance that Christ died for us. There is no possibility of the communication of Divine Life to men, unless there has been a Sacrificial Death for men. The alabaster box must be broken before the ointment can be poured forth. And on the other hand, the substitutionary nature of Christ's death is not perceived in its deepest ground, nor the imputation of His righteousness freed from the aspect of artificialness, unless His righteousness is imparted, that is to say, unless He is regarded as living in the believing spirit and uniting it to Himself. He died for us that He may live in us. He lives in us, also He has not died for us, let us not hold the two hemispheres apart. 'They meet in perfect harmony, and together constitute the round world of Christian truth'."

I am sure that this truth is a practical truth, that there is in our possession of it and its possession of us a new and deeper power for us all, and that we ought not to be deterred from accepting it by any distortion to which it has been subjected in the past. I believe that our work would become far more powerful if filled from the springs of a deep inner consciousness of an abiding, indwelling Christ. As Dr. Maclaren says:

"We must all rejoice in the manifold activities of the Churches, and none of us would have these diminished, but rather would wish that they were increased a hundred fold till an inactive Christian was as much a rarity as he is always a walking contradiction."



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Life is the root of work, and so is more important than work. And it is open to doubt whether the abundant works of the Churches at present are the outcome of life, or whether they are not, in some cases, galvanic movements that stimulate vitality and mask death. Martha has lost her own way now. We hear a dozen exhortations to service, for her to sit at Jesus' feet in blessed receptivity. There cannot be too much work, but there can be too little communion; and if so, the work may be vigorous and self-sacrificing, but it will have little success with men, and little benediction from God. The power of the dynamo must be increased, as the number of lamps it has to feed with electricity is multiplied. The more we abound in labour for Christ, the more prolonged and intimate should and must be our communion with Christ. We are in danger of building so many mills and factories on the river's bank, each requiring to draw off some of the water to drive its machinery, that the stress will be all used up and its bed dry.

I have quoted these long passages from Dr. MacLaren's sermon because I feared you might not see it in any of the papers that come to you, and because I knew that you would be glad to think over these views of our Christian privilege which run back to those days when the lips of Christ said, 'I am the true vine, and ye are the branches', and when His great Apostle realized the truth of such union and declared: "I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me". We are all of us eager to be more useful and be able to accomplish more. I do desire for myself, to be able to accept more heartily and vitally this great truth of living spiritual union with Christ, from which it seems to me all larger and better service must come.

I am sure that the new joy that is come to you will lead you all the deeper into the knowledge of God's grace and make you all the more zealous in your work for Him.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,



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January 21st, 1903.

The Rev. L. P. Tedford,

Maryville, Tenn.

My Dear Mr. Tedford:-

Your good letter of January 17th was received last week. I had not heard before that the sons of Mrs. Ferris and Dr. Jones were in the Seminary. Indeed I just learn now that Dr. Jones, in his last illness, having abandoned the medical course which he was following, and in view of the fact that he could accomplish more with his life in the ministry. I sympathize heartily with this course. An article on this subject, written by Dr. Hodge, of the Board of Christian Education, appeared in the Massachusetts Herald recently, but has been republished in a different form, and I am sending you a copy herewith, knowing that you will be interested in it. It gains all the more strength from the fact that Dr. Hodge's son was a physician, and died in the massacre at Nottingham, in the midst of his medical career.

I am sure that these boys would be glad to hear from you directly, and I shall hope to see them before long and talk with them, and learn from them as to the satisfactoriness of their present lines of study.

On the general question of the doctrinal views of young men, of course the Board is bound by the general system of our Church, which fixes responsibilities in this matter not in any Church Board, but in the Presbyteries; and some years ago, when the question came up, our Board took an action which had no effect.

We rejoice with you in the good tidings about Arthur. I hope some day he will join you in the work in India.

The Minutes and report of the Mission have come to hand, and I shall send shortly a copy of a letter to the Mission covering those matters to the attention of the Board.

W. J. Adair

I am enclosing you herewith a copy of D. J. Adams's report on his visit to China.  
The material will be of interest to you.

With cordial regards.

Very sincerely yours,

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January 24th, 1902.

Miss Grace E. Enright,  
Vengurle,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Enright:-

Ever since you left I have been waiting for an opportunity to write you just a word, to tell you how sorry I was not to get down to see you off. We had been told that your steamer would leave at one hour, and discovered later that it had left at another hour. I hope that you were not inconvenienced, and that you had a thoroughly restful and pleasant voyage, and found your companion a good sailor, and proved that you also are a good one.

You must get into the way of writing to us from the outset fully about your impressions and your work. I have noticed that where missionaries do not begin to write soon after reaching the field, they never get into the way of doing it, and go through all their missionary life with a real feeling of aversion to home correspondence. It may be hard at times to appreciate the importance of taking time when you are weary and wanting to rest, or when other things press upon you, for letters home. But it is time well spent, and in the end it all comes back in very real ways. By writing often to those who are interested in your work, you deepen their interest, fix your work in their thoughts, so that when they come to pray about the work or to give to it, it is of your work that they think.

I hope that you can keep yourself reasonably free for the study of the language, and that you may find it a pleasant task, even though it is a difficult one. I know that the other missionaries will try in every way to guard you from getting over-burdened, so that you may feel free to make that for the first year or two your chief work.

But above everything else you must be careful, as I know you will be, these first years, to see that neither the interesting surroundings, nor the burden of

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Language, nor any other thing breaks in upon the regularity of your devotion: habits of Bible study and of prayer, and of these bearing their fruit in such spiritual personal dealing with others as you may have strength and opportunities for.

Please give my warm regards to all, and let us hear from you soon about your journey, and about your impressions of your new life and home.

Very cordially yours.



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The Rev. T. H. Hannum,  
Kolhapur,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Hannum:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the Mission letter, covering I think all the points in the Mission minutes and your most helpful letters. I of course want to send you a personal note in addition, and especially to acknowledge so that you may know they have been received, your note of December 6th, your good letters dated January 6th, and the two dated January 7th. Let me thank you personally, as I have publicly in the Mission letter, for all your care and admirable accuracy and neatness in this matter.

Regarding the Village Settlement, nothing could be further from my thought than to be unsympathetic toward the care with which you and Mr. Wilson have tried to do the right thing in your dealings with the Settlement. I am sure you will not feel that we here felt that you have been contentious at all. Still, as I understand the matter, you have more than once proposed to break the Settlement up, and incorporate it in the Mission, and that, as I tried to point out, was not an attempt to carry out the project, but a proposal utterly to demolish it. Hitherto I have not understood from your letters that the difficulty lay in the want of discretion and sound judgment of the young women, in their unwillingness to comply with the Mission rules of language examination, or to do work that was assigned them pending the decision of the decision of the question as to their location. All the reports that have reached us have spoken of the excellent work that they have done, and no rumor has ever come before that they were not studying the language, or were refusing to comply with the Board's and the Mission's rules on the subject. My impression was that the members of the Settlement had performed their duties as members of the different Stations. I know that some of them wrote bi-

I do not know what could have created the impression that the Board would have been unwilling to deal with the Settlement as a separate organization altogether, if the Mission had felt that this was a wise arrangement. I cannot speak authoritatively, but I think the Board would not shrink from this arrangement if the Mission would propose it as a plan which it could approve with the conscientious feeling that it was doing the best thing, not for itself only, but also for the broad interests of the work of Christ in India.

I am glad you got to Allahabad to the Council of the Alliance. I heartily rejoice in the movement and in the breadth of the basis of union. It seems to me that in movements of this sort we ought not to adopt doctrinal standards that discourage larger future union. I believe in our now adopting rather, such statements as will make it possible for the Armenian Churches to unite with us in the future without any further radical change on our part. I doubt whether it is possible for us as yet to draw up a complete and logical system of theology that expresses the whole truth of God. Calvinism is true, and Arminism is true; we are unable as yet to consolidate them in one system. Let us, therefore, require only assent to a broad statement that expresses the truth of both, and allows men to believe in both, though some may lay superior emphasis on one and some on the other, to come together in one Church. As to the ecclesiastical basis of union, I think you know my views as to the inexpediency of missionaries overshadowing the native element of the Church Councils. I believe it would be far better for missionaries to occupy an advisory relation, and throw the authority of responsibility on the native Church itself. So I like much better the arrangement made in the Church in Amoy than I do some of the proposals regarding the organization of the Church in India, by which missionaries shall be Presbyters in full standing both in the Church in India and in their home Churches. It seems to me it is far better that the missionaries should retain their full relationship to their home Churches, and sus-

My dear Mr. ...  
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Hoping that you and Mrs. Hannum are both very well.

I am,

Your sincere friend,



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Mrs. J. M. Goheen,

Kolhapur, India.

My Dear Mrs. Goheen:-

I am venturing to enclose this note to you in a note to Mr. Goheen, accompanying a copy of the letter to the Mission, which answers I think all the questions raised in the minutes of the Mission, and the various letters which have come with them. I thank you very much for the table you sent containing the number of orphans supported by donors in the various Stations. And thank you very much also, for the great trouble to which you have gone in preparing the list of orphans which gives name, and age, and all the other facts for which I asked in what I fear was a very exacting letter; but I am sure that you appreciate the importance of having all that information here, so that we can co-operate with you in the fullest way in securing permanent support for these children.

Regarding that Pittsburg matter, of course the difficulty came from the fact that your appeal instead of being treated as a special personal appeal to be answered in a special way, was just laid upon the societies in such a way as to make probable that it would absorb and divert other contributions. In such cases special appeals not only secure no gain, but really damage old work which is perhaps even more worthy of support. I think myself that we must try to get all the money we can, and I do not believe that the Board wants to draw the line so tight as to stifle proper representations to those who can help, and who will help especially in response to personal representations to them by gifts which they never would give through regular missionary channels.

With reference to the Pittsburg money, if it is a true extra, over and above all their pledges and what they would otherwise give to the general work, then I think Mrs. Anderson had better send it out directly to you; or, if she and

...the regular channels toward the support of the regular items which are under Class V.

We are carrying all these famine funds separate from the other appropriations, and shall probably continue to do so for the present, although ultimately I suppose it will be best to incorporate this work in the regular work. When that is done, of course the regular appropriations will have to be increased by the amount which the famine work is costing at the time. Let us hope that by that time the contributions of the Church will have so increased that the Missions will not be hampered as they have been through the inadequacy of the appropriations. Thank you very much for the information as to the exact cost of supporting orphans. The Christian Herald really has set the figure, and everybody now understands that it can be done for \$15., and I think a good many of them would feel that there was something not quite straight if we pressed more than that amount. They would say that the Christian Herald can support them for \$15., and why cannot we. If we can continue to get that amount annually for each orphan, the general orphan funds which the Missions are holding will probably make up the deficits for a good while yet.

I hope that you are very well, and that you are not having to carry such a heavy burden now, and that you have been able to give over the school to Miss Tutton.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

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February 10th., 1907.

The Rev. E. M. Wilson,

Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Wilson:-

I enclose herewith a Mission letter, in which you will find an answer to your letter of November 21st, regarding the land for the orphanage. Long before this, a telegram was sent to Miraj, authorizing the purchase of this land, and I have heard of its receipt there, only Dr. Warless seems not to have had a copy of your code, or if he had, it escaped his mind, for he and Dr. Williamson interpreted the word "permission" as relating to Dr. Williamson, rather than applying to the purchase of this land.

I must thank you for the photographs of the Sangli School which you sent. They are very attractive pictures, and I can imagine how glad you must be to have the admirable new building.

Please do not understand it as a criticism if I suggest that you have us at home in mind when you prepare your next Sangli Station Report, and do not take as much for granted as you did this last time. You didn't even mention in your report how many boys you had in the school, but passed the subject almost entirely by with simply remarking that it had been a normal year, without any special incident. That was all right, doubtless, from the point of view of the Mission; but because the Mission had a lot of practical knowledge about the school, and I didn't, I find it hard work to develop that reference to the school into anything like an interesting sentence or paragraph in our report to the Assembly. Just the statistics of the school, plus some good characteristic incident or story of some one of the boys that will be illustrative of the work of the school, would be very helpful.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wilson and the children are all well, and with warm regards, I am,

your sincere friend.

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My dear Mr. Wiley:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter to the Mission, but must send with it a brief note to you, to tell you how grieved we have been to learn of Mrs. Wiley's illness, and how earnestly we hope that her stay at Miraj may accomplish for her all that you are hoping.

I have received your note of January 5th, with its information about the orphans. Your letter of November 15th to Mr. Hand, on the suggestion, and mine to the Mission crossed one another. As soon as the letters from the other Stations are received we will go over them all, and correct them so as to conform to our list here, so far as the orphans have been given to supporters by us. We can then furnish you with these corrections, so that your list and ours will correspond. I think I have notified the Mission of all that we have given out here; but of course as they have been given out at different times, it has doubtless been easy for the names to get scattered and some of them to be missed. It must have been a great trouble to you to keep these things straight, added to the heavy cares which the presence of the orphans occasioned.

Perhaps you will have learned of the death of the father of Mr. Russell Carter of Gloversville, followed shortly after by the death of a little child in his own home. The double sorrow has been a very heavy one to them, and I know that you will be glad to send them a word of comfort in your next letter.

With warm regards to you and Mrs. Wiley.

Very cordially yours,



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missionaries, not including in this plea wives of such men as would go out married. Sixty ordained men are asked for. There does not seem to be at present a good prospect of securing more than at the most one-third of this number from the Theological Seminaries; but all the applications are not yet in. Regarding the Mission's request for men who have not taken a theological course, the action of the Board was as follows:

"The request of the Western India Mission for the appointment of unordained missionaries in view of the apparent inability of the Board to find sufficient missionary candidates from Theological Seminaries to meet the requirements of the Missions, was considered, but laid over until it should be ascertained whether the supply of candidates from the Seminaries this year will be sufficient for the needs of the work, so far as the Board may be able financially to meet them."

The following Minute from the Board's records embodies the Board's action on the subject of the Board's ownership of furniture and Mission dwellings:

"The action of the Western India Mission representing to the Board the desirability of its owning the heavy articles of furniture in Mission residences, was considered, and the Council was instructed to address to the Mission inquiries as to the value of the furniture now in Mission residences, which would have to be purchased by the Board; the equity in this furniture which might be allowed the Board on account of its outfit grants; the reduction that might be made in further outfit allowances in case the Board should own the furniture in Mission residences; how the Mission would advise proceeding to carry the proposed plan into effect; and what the Mission estimates that the saving or extra expense to the Board would be in ten years under the proposed plan."

We are asking the judgment of two or three other representative Missions on this subject, so as to have at hand for the Board's information when your reply comes, information from several other Missions on the same subject.

The Mission's request regarding the return of Mr. Simonson is noted, and I am sure that as soon as Mr. Simonson feels able to go back, the Board will be glad to send him.

I am very sorry the Mission has had so much trouble because of the inadequate supply of statistical blanks, estimate sheets, writing paper, etc. We shall try to send out a sufficient quantity of the former, and I will again ask Mr. Hand to see that an ample quantity of Board paper is sent in the next shipment.

The action of the Mission regarding the Village Settlement was reported to the Board, and the Board was informed that this action was taken prior to the re-

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receipt of my letter of the ~~evening~~ 24th of September. I am sorry that I have done did injustice to any judgments held in the Mission, or unwittingly treated unfairly any of the elements of the problem. I have what I will believe the trespass of this sort was intentional. We are all hoping that the Village Settlement now that it is located at Mullapur, will vindicate itself, and do a useful work. Regarding the Bungalow for the Settlement and the forwarding of what monies were in hand for it, the following action was taken some time ago:

"The Treasurer was authorized to forward to the Western India Mission, the funds in his hands to the credit of the Village Settlement, available for the erection of a Bungalow at Mullapur."

At the same meeting the following action was taken regarding the appointment of a medical missionary for the Settlement:

"Dr. Mary J. Stewart of the Village Settlement, of the Western India Mission, having become engaged to be married to Mr. Marshall of the Mission, the Council was instructed to find a woman medical missionary to send out to take Dr. Stewart's place in the Settlement, Mrs. Eugene Delano and Mrs. John Crosby Brown offering to meet the expense."

We have not as yet found anyone, but I have been corresponding with a Dr. Foster of Illinois, with reference to the work.

We shall await with interest the letter from the Mission's Committee on the subject of receiving government grants for Mission work.

The question which has troubled the Mission regarding the two columns in the statistical blanks to which attention has been called, is a perplexing one. I do not know that any inflexible definition is possible as to what constitutes an out-station. I suppose that in most Missions, an out-station is regarded as a place where work is regularly carried on by the Mission, defined in some way either by the location of a helper there, the holding of property, the maintenance of a school, or the presence of a regular body of believers or attendants. I agree with many of the Missions, out-stations are counted as places of this sort in villages or cities out of those in which the missionaries are residing, and that they do not report preaching places, or places of meeting within the limits of the station as out-stations. In this case, the interpretation of what is



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Missions, and it would doubtless be the wiser one to adopt. I believe that in the preparation of the tables, the two phrases "Out-stations, places of regular meeting" and "places of the same kind of objects."

Regarding the second section, I believe the column "Total under instruction" was intended simply as the sum of the previous columns, and I think this is so understood by most of the Missions.

Mr. Hannum asks several other questions on this same subject, "Where shall orphanages be classified?" It seems to us that they should be put under Boarding schools, with a note to indicate their specific character. "What churches shall be counted self-supporting?" It seems to us that it is fair to include in this column, those churches which meet all their own congregational expenses and the support of their pastor, and which receive nothing from the Board's appropriations. I think that probably this is the common use among the Missions. "Shall students for the Ministry be reported by the station at which their homes are, or by the one at which their school is?" It appears to us immaterial, provided only that they are not reported twice. Probably it would be better to follow the plan of having them reported by the station in which they are receiving their education, as is done in the case of other students.

"Be reported to the Board the action of the Mission replying to the Board's inquiry as to the exemption from out of appropriations for the Village Settlement, that the only item which the Mission regarded it to be consistent with wise Mission policy so to exempt, was the 1841. which, asked by Miss Wilder from her salary toward the expenses of the Settlement work."

The Missions asks, whether in giving out the estimates, it should be governed by the needs of the work, or by the amount of money provided by the Board the previous year? I suppose the only prudent answer is, Both. The Board every year in making out appropriations is governed by both of these things; that is, by the needs of the work, and by the amount given by the churches during the past year and seem likely to give during the coming year. The appropriations as they are



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finally made, represent a resultant of these two considerations. Surely it is right for the Mission to represent what it believes to be urgent needs, and yet surely also the Mission must keep its feet on the ground, and not ask for that which it is of presumption and not of faith to seek.

We shall be glad to learn of the plans which may be recommended by the Committee appointed to propose some suitable commemoration of Mrs. Wilder's arrival in Kolhapur, so that we here can share in some recognition of this happy anniversary.

I would report appropriations by the Board of \$60.55 for Dr. Wanless' child, born during the year; and \$33.33, for Mr. Wilson's.

The request of the Mission for authority to purchase land at Sangli for a Mission bungalow, was brought before the Board by the Finance Committee, and I quote the following from its report, which was adopted by the Board:

"Owing to the large number of orphans taken in after the famine, additional land is needed for an orphanage, and it is recommended that the Mission be authorized to use 1100 rupees of the Famine Funds in hand, for this purpose."

In accordance with this action a cablegram was at once sent to Mr. Wilson requesting, addressed to Wanless, Miraj, and containing the one word "Permission;" meaning, according to the code enclosed in Mr. Wilson's letter of November 21st, that the Board "authorizes the use of Rupees 1100 from Famine Funds reserved for the support of orphans to purchase land at Sangli, in accordance with Mission's request."

I suspect that Dr. Wanless was not informed of this code, for letters just received from him and Dr. Williamson, indicate that the word "Permission" was understood as signifying the appointment of Dr. Williamson. Dr. Williamson has been appointed, as a later cablegram has informed you, and I hope that the apparent misunderstanding of the earlier cablegram has been corrected, and the land at Sangli purchased.

Having known Dr. Williamson for many years, it has been easy to enter heartily into the Mission's desire for his appointment. I am writing to him by this mail, explaining to him that of course his appointment is not to a specific

Dear Dr. Marshall, S.

Thank you for the Mission, and that the Board regards him hereafter as a regular missionary on the same basis and in the same relation both to the Board and to the Mission as other missionaries. We understand from Dr. Bliss's letter that the salary of Dr. Harding, is available for the rest of the year for the salary of Dr. Williamson, and that item can be carried from Class II to Class I of the Miraj appropriations accordingly. We shall insert in Class I for the Miraj appropriations for next year, the item of Dr. Williamson's salary. I rejoice greatly that Dr. Williamson has come to join us, and am sure that he will be a valuable addition to the Mission force in India, not alone in the medical work, but also in its spiritual activities.

You will have greeted by this time, Miss Thright, whom we were delighted to see for a little while here in New York, just before she sailed. We shall pray that she may be kept in health and strength, and be long spared to do a faithful and consecrated work in India.

Mr. Marshall has written of his engagement to Dr. Stewart, and I have sent ~~her~~ our hearty congratulations, both to him and to her.

It has been a stimulus to faith and a source of deepest Christian joy to read the reports of the last year's work, especially of the great ingatherings reported from Kodoli and Kolhapur. May this be but the beginning of yet greater things. You may be sure that much prayer will be offered for you that the work at both of these Stations may be conserved and extended, and that in all the other Stations there may be great ingatherings. Doubtless there is much to discourage and to dismay, and yet, after all, there is nothing that can dismay or discourage us. I discovered some time ago, a Bible verse which has been of a good deal of comfort to me when thinking of difficulties and obstacles in the way of our doing our best work. It is at the close of the First Epistle to the Corinthians: - "I will tarry at Ephesus until Pentecost," says Paul, "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries." We should have said "but." Somebody proposes a work to us which is appealingly great, or for which we feel

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that our resources are inadequate, and he says, "Yes, we will undertake it, but -" That was not Paul's point of view. He said "and." The adversaries did not qualify, they constituted his opportunity. It was as though he had said, "Whereas an exceedingly hard field, it is full of adversaries, let us at them." Everyone would have thought General Grant a strange man if, in the campaign before Richmond, he had sent word to the Secretary of War, "This is a splendid field for a campaign, but the enemy are here." If it had not been the enemy he was looking for, he might have taken his armies <sup>out</sup> ~~across~~ to Nebraska, where he could have marched them across the plains to the Rocky Mountains, and reported jubilantly, "This is a splendid field for battle, and there is nobody to fight with!"

I think that the glad, jubilant way in which Paul viewed matters, from just the opposite side, is a great encouragement to us when we feel, as I am sure there is scarcely one of us does not feel at times, that the task is too great and the adversaries are too numerous and strong; but if there were no adversaries, there would be no battle. The work consists in overcoming the adversary, and we get our discipline in achieving our successes against obstacle, hostility and enemy. And I think sometimes, that we too much overlook this aspect of the divine justice, namely, that it apportions to each man just the amount of trial and adversary within that man's strength. From that point of view, the more adversaries we have, and the greater the opposition we have to overcome, the more we have a right to believe that God thinks of our capacity. Temptations and trials are indeed, are they not? - God's form of compliment. He gives each one of us as much to do, and to none of us more than we can do; and if what He gives us seems altogether too great, we can yet be sure that He, who knows our strength, has given us what is not too much for it. It is possible, therefore, as Paul found it to be, to take the real joy in our trials and difficulties, and to leap at the chance of meeting adversaries; the more of them the better. I suspect that even in our most discouraged moods, if we were given the opportunity of taking up work in any sphere, where there was little opposition, and where the adversaries were insignificant, we should refuse to accept such deliverance.



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We would prefer to have a part where the battle is the hottest - in Ephesus, where there is a splendid opportunity, and where there are many adversaries. And that would be true, would it not? whether applied to Christian service, or to Christian experience. As Browning says:

"And so I live, you see.  
 "Go through the world, try, prove, reject,  
 Confirm, still struggling to effect  
 My warfare; happy that I can  
 Be tried and thwarted as a man;  
 Not left in God's contempt apart  
 With ghostly smooth life, dead at heart.  
 Tame in earth's paddock as her prize,  
 . . . . . Thank God!  
 No paradise stands barred  
 To entry and I find it hard  
 To be a Christian, as I said."

Surely none of us would have it easy to live our life or to do our work. When it is hard to live our life, accordingly, and to do our work, we can rejoice that it is so, and that there are adversaries.

Some time ago a friend gave us some money with which to buy a number of copies of Dr. Ellinwood's little book, "Questions and Phases of Modern Missions," and we are sending one copy to each Station. I am sending also, copies of Dr. Brown's Report on his visit to the China Missions. His Report on Korea has come, but has not yet been printed. Later, we shall hope to receive Reports from the Philippines, Siam and Laos, and Syria.

With kind regards to you all.

Very cordially yours,



February 18th, 1902.

Dr. J. Rutter Williamson,  
Miraj,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Dr. Williamson:-

I am sending a letter to the Mission by this mail, which explains the error into which you were naturally led regarding the telegram sent to the property at Sangli. Doubtless you discovered this as soon as the second telegram came, explicitly stating that you had been appointed by the Board. As I have written in my letter to the Mission, the Board of course appointed you to just the same status that would be held by other members of the Mission, with all the privileges and duties. Doubtless Dr. Wanless will already have explained to you what these are. The Board makes its appointments, as he will have told you, to the Mission rather than to each station, the exigency of the work often requiring transfers within the Mission from one station to another which each Mission has authority to make for itself. There may come emergencies that would make it necessary for you to take up work at some other station in the Mission rather than Miraj. Just as this might happen in the case of Dr. Wanless, and the Mission has authority to transfer Dr. Wanless from Miraj to any other station, so it would have authority to transfer you. Of course it would practically never do so except for reasons that would command themselves to the person immediately concerned; only it is best that this should all be clearly understood. The action of the Board regarding your appointment is as follows:

"Dr. J. Rutter Williamson was appointed a missionary of the Board, and assigned to the Western India Mission, subject to the Mission's favorable action, Dr. Williamson remains on the field and needing to know immediately the attitude of the Board."

I am sending the blanks which we should like to have you fill out, and also a similar certificate for Dr. Wanless to fill. We should like to have these

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just the our records may be complete. And I send also a blank form: little personal record, asking for information which we find it very desirable to have in our files here.

I believe the condition stated in the Board's action, namely, that you were appointed subject to the approval of the Mission, has already been complied with.

I am sending you also a copy of the Manual of the Board, with certain supplementary Amendments and Interpretations, and with it, a blank form of general acceptance. I might just say that the Board does not regard this Manual as constituting a contract, but as a more general statement of the principles on which the work is carried forward. The relations between it and the missionaries are not regulations as it conceives, of employer and employee, but as associates joined in common fellowship and the partnership of a great common enterprise.

Dr. Wanless writes that you will be expecting to live alone, and he is anxious to get some money in addition to what I believe is available in India, toward the erection of a bungalow for you. In this connection he speaks also of his fear lest the salary which is now provided for unmarried men under our Board in India, namely \$540, will be inadequate. I hope you will let me know frankly as to whether you find it so. If anyone can give a fair trial to the effort to live comfortably and healthfully on this amount, I am sure you can. It has always seemed to me that if the conditions abroad were compared at all to the conditions here, an unmarried man ought to be able to live without difficulty or discomfort on half of that which a married man requires. But the Board is very open to any light on this question.

With reference to the monies which you have received from Great Britain, of course if you can secure their continuance, or the continuance of any part of them, that will be clear gain. It may be that we can get some individual or church here at home to undertake your support, in which case these monies would be available for the work. If we do not succeed in this, however, then they could be credited by the Mission Treasurer to our Treasurer here as an offset against your salary.

...and so on.

The Board could pay out of its General Treasury, by which in any case it will be of course guaranteed, to be paid monthly, as you will have learned from Dr. ...

The outfit allowance provided by our Board is \$200. for each individual, and this amount will be incorporated in the appropriations of our fiscal year beginning May 1st. The Board will of course meet the expense of moving your things from Mexico to Mirej. When you find out what the amount is, will you kindly let me know? If you know now, I can have this amount placed in the next fiscal year's appropriations, which is \$200. for outfit.

Different Missions have different regulations regarding what they call Sanitarium allowance during vacations. You can find out what their regulations are in the Western India Mission from Dr. Wanless. There is a certain sum granted by the Board to the Mission each year by way of Sanitarium allowance, and the distribution of this amount is under the control of the Mission.

Yes, the matter of going off to meetings such as those of the Committee of the Indiana School of Medicine, is a matter of purely local arrangement with your associates of the Mission. I think you will find our organization very flexible and comfortable in these matters. The whole aim of our work is to keep free from needless routine, and to have a spirit of confidence and freedom in our work. Of course there must be some definite rules, but we would rather have the work run on in accordance with a few broad principles acceptable instinctively and naturally by all.

I just notice for again the postscript in your letter of December 11th, stating that it would be a great convenience to you if you could have at once a draft for outfit. Our Board does not meet for some days, however, and I have no authority to do beyond what I have already written; but I shall bring the matter up again, and if I can get the appropriation, shall communicate with you. Otherwise it will come out in the budget for the next fiscal year.

I shall leave the adjustment as to when your salary should begin to be



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settled on the field; and the Mission Treasurer will begin paying out's from the store into your tin upon, whether he takes 5rd or earlier, in case of illness. Please let your mail relation with it begin mailing.

I do rejoice in your coming to us, and am especially thankful that you are in one of the Missions with which I have the correspondence. I hope the relation that now begins, may last through all our lives, and that from time to time we may see you here, and if possible, some time in the future I may be able to visit you in India.

Thank you very much for your kind thoughtfulness in sending the pleasant little Christmas card to Mrs. Speer and me.

With kindest regards from us both.

Very cordially yours,

F. S.

I have added a postscript to the Mission letter as follows:

"Since this letter was received, a meeting of the board has been held, and among the actions taken was one appropriating \$200. for outfit allowance for Dr. Williamson, and authorizing the Mission Treasurer to pay Dr. Williamson for freight on his goods from Lahore to Miraj, to the extent authorized in Paragraph 12 of the Manual. That is, the Board would pay freight on Dr. Williamson's goods to the extent of two measured tons, and one hundred pounds excess baggage. All this is appropriated by the Board in lieu of any payment it might otherwise have to make to a missionary organization releasing one of its missionaries to the service of our Church after only a few years of service in connection with it."

Your letter of January 16th came just in time, explaining your expenses in coming down.

As you will learn from Dr. Wanless, our outfit allowance is in all cases now only \$200., and indeed, as you will see from the Manual provision on the subject, in the copy of the Manual which I have sent you, it is not always even that.



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Dr. J. J. Canless,  
 Secretary of the Mission.

Boxing Hill, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Canless:-

The letter to the Mission which goes by this mail to Mr. Mearns, as Secretary of the Mission, in addition to its answers to the various actions of the Mission meeting, speaks of Dr. Williamson, and I have also written to Dr. Williamson. I hope which he will doubtless show to you. I hope that my letter to him and the letter to the Mission have made the whole matter clear, and as you will doubtless see from both, I need not repeat what I have said in them. I have known Williamson for a good many years now, and rejoice that we are to have him in our Western Field Mission. As I have said in these letters, we understood from your letter that the appropriation for Dr. Harding will be available for Dr. Williamson's salary, and can be transferred from Class VI to Class I for that purpose. As to the possibility of \$540. a year being inadequate, you will see from my letter to Dr. Williamson that I have spoken of the matter, and opened the way for any further representations regarding it. I am glad to have your suggestion on the point, and am copying it out to put with other information along the same line. We have received I believe thus far, objections to the reduction of the salary of single men from but a few of the Missions, and it seems to me that in most of our fields half of what is given to a married missionary will prove to be amply sufficient.

Your letter of January 10th regarding the action passed by the Mission with reference to the water tanks and furnishing for the new private wards, came after the last Board meeting, and there has been no opportunity to present it as yet, but I do not think there ought to be any difficulty in getting the Board's assent to your using 1000 rupees on the field. With reference to a suggestion for Dr. Williamson, I would say that I saw Mr. Converse last week in Philadelphia, and he told me

Dr. Wadsworth, 2.

that he had received a letter from you on the subject. If he wishes to have the money in addition to all the very generous gifts he is making, it seems to me that the Board would be only too glad to receive the money, and approve your use of it. But I do not believe the Board would approve of any general appeal for this money. I am confident we could get this approval, however, if the money came from just a few individuals; and I shall bring the matter up in this light at the next meeting of the Council, and see what can be done.

I notice that in your letter of January 14th, you seem to remember the impression that I do not agree with the wisdom of the Board's course in cutting down the single man's salary. I can only say that I do not think anybody was absolutely sure that one-half the married man's salary was the exact amount; but I do think that all felt there was no need of the difference between the single man's salary and the single men's salary, and I am sure that we felt that in almost all our fields the married man's salary was arranged on such a scale that a single man ought to get along on half of it. In China, under the China Inland Mission, a man and wife have been receiving <sup>less than</sup> what our single men have been receiving. As for India, Mr. Chatterjee of Bombay, is receiving 1320 rupees, which is much less than the married man would receive under the new adjustment, and Mr. Chatterjee, as you know, is one of the noblest and choicest men we have in India. It does seem to me that as a rule, a man of frugality and simplicity ought to be able without difficulty to get along in almost any of our Stations in India on \$540 a year, with his house rent and medical expenses provided as extra.

I wish Mr. Irwin could let me know the name of that physician whom he met in Chicago and whom he believed would make a good missionary, but whom the Board rejected. I have heard of a good many cases of men of this sort whom the Board never rejected at all, but who for one reason or another, dropped out; and I should be glad to be able to locate this case, and know just what the facts were.

I am sorry to hear of Mrs. Wiley's illness, but glad to learn of her improvement. I hope that you and Mrs. Wadsworth are both well. With warm regards,

Very cordially yours,

Dr. Warless. 3.

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Since writing the above, a letter from Williamson has come, and also your note of January 17th. The whole matter is cleared up I think, by my letter to the Mission.

R. D. S.



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Mrs. Emma M. Wilder,

Molnagar, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Wilder:-

I have been thinking of the letter to you, and will please to put it into the hands of the Secretary of the Settlement, to keep with her other official correspondence. You will find in it reference to the various actions of the Mission Meeting.

Mr. Ward has sent out to you \$400., which was the amount to be paid for the Settlement on his books. The action of the Board with reference to this matter is quoted in the letter to the Mission, and is as follows:

"The Treasurer was authorized to forward to the Western India Mission, the funds in his hands to the credit of the Village Settlement, and to provide for the erection of a bungalow at Molnagar."

The Student Volunteer Convention in Toronto comes at the end of the month as you know. John Fernan will be there, and will be presenting the claims of India; and Dr. Halacy and I expect both to be there, and to bring our Presbyterian young people together some afternoon, and shall seek in the most earnest way we can, the needs of the various Missions.

A little time ago I received a note from Miss Pelletbeck, of the for Miss Thomson's salary, and saying that it would be with a plan to support of Miss Hamilton's successor; and she asked me to give my decision. I wrote to her as strongly as I could, and yet so delicately that I wished she would reconsider her decision; but she replied and said, "I have received your letter, but feel I cannot change my mind." I am sorry for this, but do not see what we can do. I am sure that the Settlement vindicate itself before enlarging its work. I am sure that the Settlement vindicate itself before enlarging its work.

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Dr. Brown's plan this year, there will be "one of you, not two" as your "one", and not ought to be enough to give the Settlement a fair trial, and show it justifies itself, regardless what will be done.

I hope that you and your mother and all the members of the Settlement are well, and with warm regards, I am,

Very cordially yours,

T. S.

I have called Mr. Hand's attention to the statement which you enclosed, and he is forwarding to you now the balance which is due you according to that statement, in addition to the \$400. to your credit.

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APPROPRIATIONS FOR WESTERN INDIA.

1902-1903.

KOLHAPUR.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES:

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Rev. G. W. Seiler | \$ 1080.    |
| Rev. J. M. Coheen | 1080.       |
| Miss E. E. Patton | 540.        |
|                   | <u>2700</u> |

CHILDREN:

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Mr. Seiler, (2) | 200            |
|                 | <u>\$ 2900</u> |

\$ 2000.

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

CHILDREN:

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Mr. Seiler (1) 1 yr.                        | \$ 150.00        |
| " " (1) 7 - 1/2 mo.                         | 93.75            |
| " Coheen (3) inc. 1 to leave India in 1902. | 450.00           |
| Mrs. Ferris (1)                             | 100.00           |
|   | <u>\$ 793.75</u> |

Freight & Travel:

John P. Seiler (to U.S. in 1903) Rs. 840.

\$ 793.75  
Rs. 840.

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:

|                        | Rupees.    |
|------------------------|------------|
| Punabai S. Ismailasekh | 84.        |
| Radhabai P. Jadhav     | 84.        |
|                        | <u>168</u> |

ITINERATING:

200

Rs. 308.

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## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

|                          | Rupees.     |      |
|--------------------------|-------------|------|
| Girls' Christian School  |             |      |
| Teachers:                |             |      |
| Miss Clara L. Soiler     | 840         |      |
| Anandarev L. Padaghalama | 240         |      |
| Narayan A. Sangaliker    | 180         |      |
| Krishna Sevekari         | 144         |      |
| Hannabai Jog             | 84          |      |
| Anandibai D. Jadhav      | 84          |      |
| Pupil Teachers           | 36          |      |
| Incidentals              | 150         |      |
| Watchman                 | 72          |      |
| Board, etc.              | 3600        |      |
|                          | <u>5430</u> |      |
| Receipts on field        | 60          |      |
|                          | <u>5370</u> | 5370 |

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                         |            |     |
|-------------------------|------------|-----|
| Kolhapur Sukravar Boys' |            |     |
| Vithoba Hajare          | 126        |     |
| Balavant Phadanus       | 96         |     |
| Furniture, etc.         | 5          |     |
|                         | <u>227</u> | 227 |
| Aditavar, Girls'        |            |     |
| New Teacher             | 84         |     |
| Woman to bring girls    | 36         |     |
| Furniture, prizes, etc. | 35         |     |
|                         | <u>155</u> | 155 |
| Mangalavar, Boys'       |            |     |
| Somasankara S. Tatapati | 250        | 250 |
| Somavar, Girls'         |            |     |
| Ramakorabai Masoji      | 84         |     |
| Candrabai Caver         | 72         |     |
| Furniture, Prizes, etc. | 35         |     |
|                         | <u>191</u> | 191 |
| Mahar Vada, Boys'       |            |     |
| New Teacher             | 84         | 84  |
| Herale, Boys'           |            |     |
| Sugandha M. Battalelu   | 195        |     |
| Furniture, etc.         | 15         |     |
|                         | <u>210</u> | 210 |
| Halundi, Boys'          |            |     |
| New Teacher             | 120        |     |
| Furniture, etc.         | 5          |     |
|                         | <u>125</u> | 125 |



## CLASS V. Continued.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                     | Rupees     |            |
|---------------------|------------|------------|
| Kini, Boys'         |            |            |
| Meghasam P. Jadhav  | 175.       |            |
| Furniture, etc.     | 15         |            |
|                     | <u>190</u> |            |
|                     |            | 190        |
| Majagan, Boys'      |            |            |
| Ananda S. Ranabhise | 170        |            |
| Furniture, etc.     | 15         |            |
|                     | <u>185</u> |            |
|                     |            | <u>185</u> |
|                     |            | Rs. 1617   |

## OTHER SCHOOLS:

|                        |    |           |
|------------------------|----|-----------|
| Porale, Reading School |    |           |
| Lakshman Vandare       | 72 |           |
|                        |    | <u>72</u> |
|                        |    | Rs. 7059  |

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

|                     |    |    |
|---------------------|----|----|
| School Houses,      |    |    |
| Kolhapur, Somavar   |    |    |
| Dwellings of Agents | 36 |    |
|                     |    | 36 |

## TAXES:

|                                   |           |    |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Missionary Dwellings, Land        | 31        |    |
| " " and                           |           |    |
| Boarding School, Water            | 24        |    |
| School-house, Kolhapur, Aditavar, | 6         |    |
| " Herale                          | 2         |    |
|                                   | <u>63</u> |    |
|                                   |           | 63 |

## REPAIRS:

|                       |            |            |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Missionary Dwellings, | 200        |            |
| Other Buildings,      | 250        |            |
|                       | <u>450</u> |            |
|                       |            | 450        |
|                       |            | <u>549</u> |
|                       |            | 84         |
|                       |            | <u>465</u> |
|                       |            | 465.       |

Receipts on field

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

|        |     |  |
|--------|-----|--|
| Travel | 50. |  |
|--------|-----|--|

|                       |     |  |
|-----------------------|-----|--|
| BOOKS, PRINTING, etc: | 15. |  |
|-----------------------|-----|--|

|                       |            |  |
|-----------------------|------------|--|
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE. | <u>40.</u> |  |
|-----------------------|------------|--|

105.

## SUMMARY FOR KOIHA PUR.

|            | GOLD.                    | RUPES. |
|------------|--------------------------|--------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 2900.00               |        |
| CLASS II.  | 793.75<br>Rs. 840.00     |        |
| CLASS IV.  |                          | 368.   |
| CLASS V.   |                          | 7059.  |
| CLASS VII. |                          | 465.   |
| CLASS IX.  |                          | 105.   |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 3693.75<br>Rs. 840.00 | 7997.  |

Subject to cut on Mission of Rs. 8765.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR VENGURIE.

1902 - 1903

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## MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Rev. J. M. Irwin    | \$ 1080     |
| Rev. A. W. Marshall | 1080        |
|                     | <u>2160</u> |

\$ 2160

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| BIBLE WOMEN:             | Rupees     |
| One to be appointed      | 96         |
| OTHER HELPERS            |            |
| Preacher to be appointed | 200        |
| ITINERATING:             | <u>200</u> |
|                          | 496        |

Rs. 496

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Teacher:            |            |
| Tukaram R. Kambala  | 271        |
| One to be appointed | <u>230</u> |
|                     | 501        |

501

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| ASSISTANTS:     |            |
| Servant         | 72         |
| MEDICINES, ETC. |            |
| For Dispensary  | <u>600</u> |
|                 | 672        |

672

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| RENTS:                 |            |
| Dwellings, 2 Families. | 720        |
| 2 Rooms for Preaching  | <u>120</u> |
|                        | 840        |

840

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| MISSION MEETINGS:          |     |
| Travel, 2 families.        | 250 |
| BOOKS, PRINTING, ETC.      | 25  |
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE, ETC. | 25  |

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## CLASS IX. Continued.

|                     |            |         |
|---------------------|------------|---------|
| Brought forward     | Rupees     |         |
|                     | 300        |         |
| SAME ITEMS:         |            |         |
| Travel              | 200        |         |
| PERSONAL TEACHERS:  | Rupees.    |         |
| Mr. & Mrs. Marshall | 75         |         |
| Mr. Irwin           | 75         |         |
|                     | <u>150</u> |         |
|                     | 650        |         |
|                     |            | Rs. 650 |

## SUMMARY FOR VENGURLE.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES.      |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 2160.00 |              |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 496.         |
| CLASS V.   |            | 501.         |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 672.         |
| CLASS VII. |            | 840.         |
| CLASS IX.  |            | <u>650.</u>  |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 2160.00 | <u>3159.</u> |

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## APPROPRIATIONS FOR RATHAGIRI

1902 - 1903.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Rev. A. L. Wiley          | \$ 1080     |
| Rev. R. C. Richardson     | 1080        |
| Miss E. T. Minor, (6 mo.) | 270         |
| Miss A. M. Jefferson "    | 270         |
|                           | <u>2700</u> |

\$ 2700.

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Miss Minor @ 5 mo. )   | \$ 187.50     |
| Miss Jefferson (5 mo.) | 187.50        |
|                        | <u>375.00</u> |

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Misses Minor and Jefferson | <u>580.00</u> |
|                            | 955.00        |

955.

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

To be appointed.

Rupees.  
84

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Govinda S. Malap     | 228        |
| One to be appointed. | 228        |
|                      | <u>456</u> |

## ITINERATING:

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| For the Station. | 230 |
|------------------|-----|

Rs. 770

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Ratnagiri, Boys' & Girls' |           |
| Ramachandra H. Jhingade   | 180       |
| Malinabai R. Jhingade     | 60        |
| Furniture, etc.           | 22        |
|                           | <u>26</u> |
|                           | 290       |

## OTHER SCHOOLS:

Reading School

36

Rs. 326

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## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENT:

|          |               |
|----------|---------------|
| Dwelling | Rapees<br>360 |
|----------|---------------|

## TAXES:

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Missionaries Dwelling &<br>Orphanage | 26 |
|--------------------------------------|----|

## REPAIRS:

|                              |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Missionaries' Dwelling, etc. | <u>150</u><br>536 |
|------------------------------|-------------------|

Rs. 536

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Travel | 250 |
|--------|-----|

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| BOOKS & PRINTING: | 30 |
|-------------------|----|

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| STATIONERY & POSTAGE: |     |
| Mission Treasurer's   | 125 |

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| MEDICAL ALLOWANCE |     |
| 2 families        | 100 |

## SANITARIUMS:

|                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Traveling allowance | 300                 |
| For the Mission     | <u>2000</u><br>2300 |

## PERSONAL TEACHERS:

|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Mr. Wiley             | 100               |
| Mr. & Mrs. Richardson | <u>200</u><br>300 |

## TRAVELING:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Transfers, etc. | 250 |
|-----------------|-----|

Rs. 3355.

## SUMMARY FOR RATNAGIRI.

|                          | GOLD.      | RUPERS.      |
|--------------------------|------------|--------------|
| CLASS I.                 | \$ 2700.00 |              |
| CLASS II.                | 955.00     |              |
| CLASS IV.                |            | 770.         |
| CLASS V.                 |            | 326.         |
| CLASS VII.               |            | 536.         |
| CLASS <del>XXX</del> IX. |            | <u>3355.</u> |
| TOTAL.                   | \$ 3655.00 | <u>4987.</u> |

Subject to cut on Mission of Rs. 8765.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR SANGLI.

1902 - 1903 .

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Mr. John Jolly             | \$ 1080    |
| Rev. E. M. Wilson (11 mo.) | 990        |
| Miss G. Enright            | 540        |
|                            | <hr/> 2610 |

## CHILDREN:

|                |           |         |
|----------------|-----------|---------|
| Mr. Jolly (2)  | 200       |         |
| Mr. Wilson (3) | 300       |         |
|                | <hr/> 500 | \$ 3110 |

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## CHILDREN:

|               |     |     |
|---------------|-----|-----|
| Mr. Jolly (3) | 450 | 450 |
|---------------|-----|-----|

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Mr. & Mrs. Wilson & 3 children<br>to America | Rs. 3045 |
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## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Dayabai N. Bhingaradeve | Rupees<br>90 |
|-------------------------|--------------|

## ITINERATING:

|    |     |
|----|-----|
| 50 | 140 |
|----|-----|



## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

|                                     | Rupees.      |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Teachers:                           |              |
| Apa Miraji                          | 144          |
| B. Ugar                             | 132          |
| M. Malekar                          | 144          |
| A. Hivale                           | 120          |
| Sevantibai Anandarav                | 72           |
| 2 to be appointed                   | 216          |
| Board, clothing, fuel, lights, etc. |              |
| 150 pupils                          | 5500         |
| Teachers, Industrial Work:          |              |
| Balavant Ramacendra                 | 200          |
| Bhan Babaji                         | 200          |
| 1 to be appointed                   | 300          |
| Gardner, Hari                       | 72           |
| Material & Tools                    | 500          |
| Fees, Sales of Goods, etc.          | 7600.        |
|                                     | 350.         |
|                                     | <u>7250.</u> |

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Mang Vadi, Boys'        |          |
| Teacher to be appointed | 84       |
|                         | Rs. 7334 |

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## TAXES:

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Sangali, Land             | 27         |
| " Buildings               | 2          |
| Mahabalesvar, Mt. Douglas | 95         |
|                           | <u>124</u> |

## INSURANCE:

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| Industrial Shop | 15 |
|-----------------|----|

## REPAIRS:

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Sangali, Missionaries' 2 Dwellings | 98         |
| " " "                              | 52         |
| " Other Buildings                  | 100        |
| " " "                              | 100        |
| Mahabalesvar, Mt. Douglas          | 125        |
|                                    | <u>475</u> |

## ATTENDANTS:

|                           |            |     |
|---------------------------|------------|-----|
| Mahabalesvar, Mt. Douglas | <u>132</u> | 746 |
|---------------------------|------------|-----|

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## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

|                           |               |         |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------|
| Travel, 2 families        | Rupees<br>100 |         |
| BOOKS, PRINTING, etc.     | 25            |         |
| STATIONERY, POSTAGE, etc. | 50            |         |
| MEDICAL ALLOWANCE         | 150           |         |
| Personal Teachers         |               |         |
| Mr. and Mrs. Jolly        | 100           |         |
| Mr. Wilson                | 15            |         |
| Miss Enright              | 100           |         |
|                           | <u>215</u>    |         |
|                           |               | Rs. 540 |

## SUMMARY FOR SANGLI.

|            | GOLD.       | RUPEES.     |
|------------|-------------|-------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 3110.00  |             |
| CLASS II.  | 450.00      |             |
|            | Rs. 3045.00 |             |
| CLASS IV.  |             | 140.        |
| CLASS V.   |             | 7534.       |
| CLASS VII. |             | 748.        |
| CLASS IX.  |             | <u>540.</u> |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 3560.00  |             |
|            | Rs. 3045.   | 8760.       |

Subject to cut on Mission of Rs. 8765.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR MIRAJ.

1902 - 1903.  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Wanless | \$ 1080     |
| Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Hannum | 1080        |
| Dr. J. R. Williamson       | 540         |
| Miss E. A. Foster          | 540         |
| Miss V. E. McArthur, M. D. | 540         |
|                            | <u>3780</u> |

## CHILDREN:

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Dr. Wanless, (1 in India) | 100        |
| Mr. Hannum, (2 " " )      | 200        |
|                           | <u>300</u> |
|                           | \$ 4080    |

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Mrs. Wanless & Ethel to America<br>(1902) | 1305        |
| Robert H. Hannum to America (1903)        | 435         |
|   | <u>1740</u> |
|   | Rs.1740     |

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|                                |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Meribai Amirsing to be app't'd | 240 |
|--------------------------------|-----|

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Basantasing Thakur | 440 |
|--------------------|-----|

## ITINERATING:

|      |             |
|------|-------------|
| Tent | 450         |
|      | <u>1130</u> |

1130

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Boys', Miraj                |             |
| Sevantibai Pavar            | 84          |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc.   | 30          |
|                             | <u>114.</u> |
| Girls', Miraj               |             |
| Sarabai Pavar               | 84          |
| Woman to bring girls        | 36          |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc.   | 30          |
|                             | <u>150.</u> |
| Girls', Miraj. To be opened |             |
| Teacher to be appointed     | 120         |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc.   | 15          |
|                             | <u>135.</u> |

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## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

| ASSISTANTS:                      | Rupees     |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Ass't Physician to be appointed, | 1800       |
| Hosp. Ass't, Samson Lazarus      | 360        |
| Compounder, Issaac Abraham       | 360        |
| Asst. " Bhikaji G. Pavar         | 168        |
| Nurse, Ramabai Gavande           | 240        |
| 2 Pupil nurses                   | 168        |
| 4 Ward boys                      | 413        |
| Watchman                         | 84         |
| 2 Cooks                          | 120        |
| 1 Dispensary Servant             | 72         |
| 2 Attendants                     | 120        |
| 1 Clerk                          | 72         |
| 6 Students, Scholarships         | 564        |
| Medical Class, Expenses.         | 1036       |
|                                  | <hr/> 4577 |
| Receipts on Field                | 2500       |
|                                  | <hr/> 2077 |

| MEDICINES:               |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Medicines, etc.          | 3736       |
| Receipts on field, fees. | 2500       |
|                          | <hr/> 1236 |

| EXPENSES:            |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Municipal Taxes      | 90        |
| Lights & Heating     | 225       |
| Books & Printing     | 50        |
| Postage & Stationery | 25        |
|                      | <hr/> 390 |

Rs. 3703.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

| RENTS:                     |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| 2 School-houses            | 48        |
| TAXES:                     |           |
| Missionaries' 2 Dwellings. | 17        |
| REPAIRS:                   |           |
| Hospital                   | 200       |
| Dwellings, etc.            | 200       |
|                            | 400       |
| ATTENDANTS:                |           |
| Gardner at Hospital.       | 72        |
|                            | <hr/> 537 |

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## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

| MISSION MEETINGS: (Travel)  | 75        |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| BOOKS, PRINTING, etc.       | 40        |
| STATIONERY, POSTAGE, etc.   | 50        |
| Personal Teachers:          |           |
| Mrs. Wanless & Mrs. Hanmum. | 100       |
|                             | <hr/> 265 |

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## SUMMARY FOR NIRAJ.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES. |
|------------|------------|---------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 4080.00 |         |
| CLASS II.  | Rs. 1740.  |         |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 1130.   |
| CLASS V.   |            | 399.    |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 3703.   |
| CLASS VII. |            | 537.    |
| CLASS IX.  |            | 265.    |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 4080.00 |         |
|            | Rs. 1740.  | 6034.   |

Subject to cut on Mission of Rs. 8765.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR KODOLI.

1902 - 1903  
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## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Rev. J. P. Graham                | \$ 720      |
| Rev. & Mrs. L. B. Tedford (6 mo) | 540         |
| Dr. & Mrs. A. L. Wilson          | 1080        |
| Miss B. F. Graham                | 540         |
|                                  | <u>2880</u> |

## CHILDREN:

|                         |     |         |
|-------------------------|-----|---------|
| Dr. Wilson (2 in India) | 200 |         |
|                         |     | \$ 3080 |

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Mr. & Mrs. Tedford (5 mo.) | 375        |
| Miss A. A. Brown           | 450        |
|                            | <u>825</u> |

## CHILDREN:

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Mr. Graham (1 in U.S. 6 mo.) | 75         |
| Mr. Tedford (1 in U.S. 5 mo) | 42.50      |
| 7 " )                        | 87.50      |
|                              | <u>130</u> |
|                              | 1030       |

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

|             |     |      |
|-------------|-----|------|
| Mr. Tedford | 580 |      |
|             |     | 1610 |

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| 2 to be appointed | 168 |
|-------------------|-----|

## OTHER HELPERS:

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| 1 Preacher to be appointed | 120 |
|----------------------------|-----|

## ITINERATION:

|             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| The Station | 200        |
|             | <u>488</u> |

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Kodoli, Boys' No. 1.      | Ruppes    |
| Yohan S. Ranabhise        | 192       |
| Rama B. Copadi            | 180       |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc. | 12        |
| " "                       | 3         |
|                           | <hr/> 327 |
| Kodoli, Boys' No. 2.      |           |
| Tayapa L. Copadi          | 174       |
| Sugandha Bapayi           | 72        |
| Furniture, cleaning etc.  | 15        |
|                           | <hr/> 261 |
| Kodoli, Girls' No. 1.     |           |
| Savadabai Sakhaba         | 73        |
| " "                       | 6         |
| 1 assistant               | 60        |
| Pupil teachers            | 48        |
| 1 Woman to bring girls    | 36        |
| Furniture, cleaning etc.  | 50        |
|                           | <hr/> 276 |
| Kodoli, Girls' No. 2.     |           |
| Savanibai Manyapa         | 60        |
| 1 Assistant               | 60        |
| Pupil Teacher             | 24        |
| 1 Woman to bring girls    | 24        |
| Furniture, cleaning etc.  | 30        |
|                           | <hr/> 198 |
| Kuralap, Boys'            |           |
| Babaji R. Ranabhise       | 150       |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc. | 12        |
| " "                       | 3         |
|                           | <hr/> 165 |
| Kuralap, Girls'           |           |
| Santabai Babaji           | 30        |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc. | 12        |
|                           | <hr/> 42  |
| Islamapur, Boys'          |           |
| Santaba R. Ranabhise      | 184       |
| Krisna Govinda            | 149       |
| Furniture, cleaning etc.  | 24        |
|                           | <hr/> 357 |
| Islamapur, Girls'         |           |
| Sumatibai Krisnaji        | 50        |
| Furniture, cleaning etc.  | 12        |
|                           | <hr/> 42  |

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## CLASS V. CONTINUED.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

|                            | Rupees     |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Ayatavadi, Boys'           |            |
| Teacher, to be appointed   | 120        |
| Furniture & cleaning, etc. | 12         |
| " "                        | 3          |
|                            | <u>135</u> |

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Jakali, School to be opened |            |
| Teacher to be appointed     | 120        |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc.   | 15         |
|                             | <u>135</u> |

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Borapali, School to be opened |            |
| Teacher to be appointed       | 120        |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc.     | 12         |
| " "                           | 3          |
|                               | <u>135</u> |
|                               | 135        |

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Mandapal, School to be opened |            |
| Teacher to be appointed       | 120        |
| Furniture, cleaning, etc.     | 15         |
|                               | <u>135</u> |

## OTHER SCHOOLS:

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Kodoli Reading School No. 1 | 72         |
| " " " 2                     |            |
| (to be opened)              | 72         |
|                             | <u>144</u> |

Rs. 2354

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

## ASSISTANTS:

|                                 |            |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Prabhakar Tatapati.             | 216        |
| " "                             | 48         |
| Luka S. Ranabhise (Compounder)  | 168        |
| Tukaram Devalikar (Disp. Servt) | 72         |
| Auba Ward Boy                   | 72         |
| Tayabai Nurse                   | 72         |
| Clerk                           | 48         |
|                                 | <u>696</u> |

## MEDICINES:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Hospital & Dispensary | 1876        |
| From Fees             | 25          |
|                       | <u>1851</u> |



## CLASS VI. CONTINUED.

| EXPENSES:           | Rupees     |
|---------------------|------------|
| Lights & Heating    | 40         |
| Water               | 48         |
| Printing forms etc. | 25         |
| Washerman           | 50         |
| Sweeper             | 36         |
|                     | <u>199</u> |

Rs. 2741

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Rents:               |           |
| Kodoli, School-house | 30        |
| Borapal " "          | 18        |
|                      | <u>48</u> |
| Receipts on field    | 36        |
|                      | <u>12</u> |

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| TAXES:               |    |
| Dwellings & Hospital | 60 |

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| REPAIRS:            |            |
| Panhala, Sanitarium | 100        |
| Kodoli, Hospital    | 50         |
| " Dwellings         | 200        |
|                     | <u>350</u> |

|                            |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| ATTENDANTS:                |    |
| Panhala, Care of buildings | 72 |

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## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| MISSION MEETINGS:     |            |
| Rent of Lodgings      | 100        |
| Travel                | 30         |
|                       | <u>130</u> |
| BOOKS & PRINTING etc. | 25         |

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| STATIONERY, POSTAGE etc. | 50 |
|--------------------------|----|

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| PERSONAL TEACHERS: |            |
| Miss Graham        | 100        |
|                    | <u>100</u> |

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## SUMMARY FOR KODOLI.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPEES. |
|------------|------------|---------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 3080.00 |         |
| CLASS II.  | 1610.00    |         |
| CLASS IV.  |            | 498.    |
| CLASS V.   |            | 2354.   |
| CLASS VI.  |            | 2746.   |
| CLASS VII. |            | 494.    |
| CLASS IX.  |            | 325.    |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 4690.00 | 6407.   |

Subject to cut on Mission of Rs. 6765.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

1902-1903.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

|                               |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Miss Grace E. Wilder, (K. S.) | \$ 300.00      |
| Miss M. J. Thompson,          | 300.00         |
| Miss E. E. Scheurman,         | 300.00         |
| Miss A. L. Giles,             | 300.00         |
|                               | <u>1200.00</u> |

\$ 1200.00

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

Rupees.

Village Settlement.

720.

Rs. 720.

## SUMMARY FOR SETTLEMENT.

|            | GOLD.      | RUPES.              |
|------------|------------|---------------------|
| CLASS I.   | \$ 1200.00 |                     |
| CLASS VII. |            | <u>720.</u>         |
| TOTAL.     | \$ 1200.00 | <u>720. Rupees.</u> |

Subject to cut on Mission of Rs. 3765.

## SUMMARY FOR WESTERN INDIA MISSION.

|   | GOLD.       | RUPEES. |
|---|-------------|---------|
| KOLHAPUR:                                 | \$ 5693.75  |         |
|   | Rs. 840.    | 7997.   |
| VENKURLE:                                 | 2160.00     | 3159.   |
| RATHAGIRI:                                | 3655.00     | 4987.   |
| SANGHI:                                   | 5660.00     |         |
|   | Rs. 3045.   | 8760.   |
| MIRAJ:                                    | 4020.00     |         |
|   | Rs. 1740.   | 6034.   |
| KODOLI:                                   | 4690.00     | 6407.   |
| VILLAGE SETTLEMENT:                       | 1200.00     | 720.    |
| <hr/>                                     |             |         |
| TOTAL.                                    | \$23033.75  |         |
|   | Rs. 5625.   | 58064.  |
| Subject to cut on<br>Mission of Rupees, ~ |             | 8765.   |
| <hr/>                                     |             |         |
| TOTAL GRANT:                              | \$ 23033.75 |         |
|   | Rs. 5625.   | 25299.  |
| <hr/>                                     |             |         |



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April 11th, 1902.

To the Western India Mission,

My dear Friends:

I have pleasure in enclosing herewith the appropriations for the fiscal year 1902-1903. In Classes I and II, they represent an appropriation of about \$3038 gold and 1467 Rupees greater than was provided in these Classes for the year 1901-1902. The remaining Classes, exclusive of Class VIII, provide an appropriation of 29299 Rupees, as compared with 25900 Rupees appropriated at the beginning of 1901-1902. This is an increase of 10 per cent, plus an additional grant of 800 Rupees, making an increase of 3300 Rupees over last year.

The total appropriations for the new year for all the Missions are \$950,000. This amount was recommended by the Finance Committee in the following report, which the Board adopted:

"The Committee is of the opinion that the work demands an increased appropriation over that granted at the beginning of the present fiscal year, which was \$925,000. The Committee is further of the opinion that the successes upon the field during the present year will inspire the Church to maintain the work on a reasonably increased basis.

The responsibility for a retrograde movement should rest upon the Church, and any action of the Board should be to encourage an advance in the work.

The Committee voted unanimously to present the following recommendation - That the appropriations for the year beginning May 1st, 1902, including Class III (New Missionaries) and Class VIII. (New Buildings), Expenses of Conference with New Missionaries/, Foreign Missions Library, Children and administrative expenses, be fixed at \$950,000, with a clear understanding, however, that special appropriations through the year shall be excluded except in cases of absolute necessity, and the Committee further recommends, that at the very beginning of the new fiscal year, steps be taken to secure a reasonable advance in the gifts of all churches, Sabbath Schools and Individuals, and that Conferences be held by the Council with the representatives of the Women's Boards to the end that their gifts may show an increase.

This amount of \$950,000, however, is increased by the addition of \$10,000, transferred from the balance on the Treasurer's books here, derived from receipts from the sale of property on the field. The Finance Committee has recommended the application of \$10,000 of this balance to the purchase of the new property required for the coming year. This limit of \$950,000. falls about \$50,000 short of the amount asked for by the Missions, exclusive of all requests for new missionaries and new property. The requests for new property alone amount to about \$140,000. Gold, and for new missionaries to more than \$100,000., so that it will be safe to appropriate for the new year by about \$300,000. Of this amount about \$500,000. is required for Classes I and II, leaving \$450,000. for the native work, home administration, new property, new missionaries, etc. The home administration budget will be the same as last year. For new property that seems to be absolutely necessary, the Board has set aside \$20,000. of the new year's budget, this amount being increased by the \$10,000. above referred to. It has set aside also, \$15,000 for the new missionaries, the balance needed for such as are available to be raised, it is hoped, by special contributions from those who are interested through their account. There will be left a sum sufficient to provide some real measure of increase beyond what the Missions received for native work in 1901-1902. In the distribution of this amount, of course, the circumstances of various Missions have been taken into account. Some Missions where the work has grown very rapidly and there is need of some increase in order to enable the Mission to provide for rapidly growing churches, a little larger increase has been made than in other Missions. As you see, the Finance Committee has felt compelled to warn the Board



against the imprudence of greatly increasing the appropriations by special grants during the year.

The appropriations sheets are returned substantially as they came from the Mission. A few changes have been necessary. Miss Brown's name was omitted from the estimate sheets. It has been incorporated here. The home allowance of Mr. and Mrs. Tadford began, I believe, on August 22nd, so that the year's furlough will expire then, and accordingly the appropriations have been made out in the expectation that they will return to India in September. It is possible that the estimate sheets mentioned seven months' home allowance, under the impression that the furlough in the case of the India Mission, irrespective of the time of leaving the field, was fifteen months. This extension, however, was designed to provide a furlough longer than one year only in view of the exigencies of the climate, rendering such an extended furlough necessary when missionaries come home in the Spring. When they come in the Fall or Winter, the understanding has been here that the length of furlough would be just the same as in the case of other missions. Has not this been your understanding also?

In entering the estimate for freight and travel, I have been instructed to conform to a schedule for all the Missions prepared by Mr. Hand, which gives the cost of travel from the Western India Mission \$270, and the cost of freight \$20. Mr. Hand, after a careful study of the different accounts rendered of recent journeys home, was convinced that this is a fair estimate, and of course anything not absolutely needed that is included in this estimate, has been withdrawn from the appropriations available for other Classes, and it seemed better not to tie up in such estimates, anything

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that might not be needed. I do earnestly hope that the amount may prove altogether adequate, and have inclosed it, as I have stated, under instructions which cover our actions in making out the appropriations for the various fields.

I notice that the estimates for Miraj contain both the item of a full year's field salary for Dr. and Mrs. Wanless, and also an estimate for the return to America of Mrs. Wanless and Ethel. Both of these items have been retained in the appropriations, although if Mrs. Wanless comes home there will have to be some adjustment of the salary, as as to provide her home allowance. This can easily be arranged at the time. I suppose the items were entered as they were, because of the uncertainty as to whether Mrs. Wanless would have to come.

I am very sorry that it has not/ been possible for the Board to grant any of the requests for new property. The items mentioned in the estimate sheets were the Village Settlement Bungalow with land, Vengurle land and Bungalow at Mahabashla. The Orphanage land at Sangli has already been provided for by the Board's authority to use the necessary amount from the famine relief fund. All the money in hand here specially given for the Sanitarium Bungalow has already been forwarded to the field and, /as, I understand, the balance also is to be provided by special contributions. I am very sorry for the disappointment that the Board's inability to provide the house at Vengurle will occasion and hope that it may be possible to continue to rent there for another year.

Just to-day letters have come from Dr. Wanless and Dr. Williamson, regarding the urgent need of another Bungalow at Miraj. The Board does not meet again until April 21st, and I fear will not be able to add to the appropriations either for this year or for next



the amount in addition to that which Dr. Williamson has already secured for the erection of this Bungalow. But if either in this or in some special way the money can be provided, I hope that it may be done.

We have received the reports regarding the famine orphans from all the Stations except Kodoli. It has been the greatest help to have them, and I hope we may soon get the report for Kodoli. Possibly, Miss Brown is bringing it home with her. If each Station will keep a list of the orphans corresponding to the list furnished us and if you notify us when you assign any orphan and if we notify you whenever we assign any one, we shall be able to keep this matter in good shape, and continue to secure from generous givers the contributions which they have furnished for the support of these children. I append here a list of all the orphans we have assigned in the Western India Mission, so that you may correct your lists. I have from time to time informed you of the assignment of almost all of these, but send now complete lists of all, so that there may be no confusion.

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Hastings, Nebr., Mrs. W. N. Filson, (2 boys)                    | Vengurle  |
| 31 E. Mt. Airy Ave., Phila., Pa. Miss E. S. Hmlauf (4 girls)    | Kodoli.   |
| Weston, Mo., Mrs. F. H. Coughlan (1)                            | Vengurle  |
| 429 So. 3rd St., Steubenville, Ohio, Mrs. Sarah J. Kitheart (1) | Vengurle  |
| Corning, N. Y. Alfred G. Hood                                   | "         |
| 1517 Washington St. San Francisco, Mrs. D. E. Horsburgh         | Vengurle. |
| Clayton, Mich. Miss Lydia E. Bird                               | Kodoli    |
| 618 Calvert St., Balto., Md., Mrs. J. B. Moore                  | Bristor   |
| (10 boys)   | Kolhapur. |

- Winnobago City, Minn. Mr. and Mrs. Damon (1 boy, 1 girl) Kolhapur.  
 Petrolia, Pa. A. L. Howe (1) Kolhapur.  
 31 East Mt. Airy Ave., Phila., Pa. Miss Effie L. Umlauf (1 girl)  
 Kodoli.  
 Doylestown, Pa., Miss Elizabeth Labaree (1 boy) Ratnagiri  
 Laporte, Lorimer Co., Col., Rev. A. M. McIntyre (1 girl), Kolhapur  
 Lima, Ohio, the Misses Barwell, Miraj  
 16 S. Canal St., Chicago, Ill. A Leonard Gould (1 girl), Sangli.  
 Ex Remo, Oklahoma A. E. Saley (1 girl) Kolhapur  
 Port Jervis, N. Y. Miss Sadie M. Marshall (2) Sangli  
 Amsterdam, N. Y., Emma Van Kewren (1 boy), Kolhapur  
 Clearfield, Pa., J. M. Waddell (1 girl) Kolhapur.  
 Scranton, Pa., Miss Sadie Beeber (1 girl), Kodoli.  
 Portland, Oregon, Rev. Robert McLean (1), Kolhapur  
 Neche, N. Dak., The Rev. W. J. Hall & Fam. (1), Kolhapur  
 476 N. State St., Chicago. Lowell Chapin (1 boy) Ratnagiri  
 Van Wirt, Ohio. Rev. James A. Gordon (2 orph.) Kolhapur.  
 Yuma, Colo. Mrs. J. F. Haserman (1) Vengurle  
 Scranton, Pa. E. B. Sturges (100), Kodoli  
 Greeny Ridge S.S. Through Mr. E. B. Sturges (14 boys) Ratnagiri  
 Ratnagiri.  
 Through E. B. Sturges (15 boys) Sangli.  
 Titusville, Pa. E. O. Emerson (100) Kodoli  
 Baltimore Mrs. Bristol \$300 (20) Sangli  
 Marshall, Minn. C. H. Bancroft (S.S.) (1) Sangli  
 Mrs. Bristol (\$100) Kodoli  
 311 Madison Ave., New York. Dr. E. St. George Elliott (2) Kodoli  
 Sr. Clairsville, Ohio. Miss May C. Adam (1 boy, 1 girl), Kodoli  
 Mrs. J. B. Moore Bristol 300 Ratnagiri



31 E. Mt. Airy Ave., Phila. Pa. Miss E. F. Umlauf (3 girls)  
Kodoli.

67 Noyes St., Chicago, Ill. Miss L. M. Dickinson 2 girls) Kolhapur 151

Columbus, Ohio. Foster Copeland (3). Vengurle

476 Front St., Chicago, Ill. (1 boy) Ratnagiri

Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan L. Best, Interior, Kolhapur 15

Mt. Airy, Phila. Pa. Miss Umlauf (4) Kodoli

Cavalier, N. Dak. Rev. W. J. Hall & fam. 1 boy, Kolhapur.

Some of these supports have been renewed for the second year. All such I have checked in red ink.

I have been through all the reports from all the missions with which I have the correspondence and I want again to congratulate and thank the Western India Mission for the satisfactory shape in which your Minutes, Estimates and Reports are sent to the Board. There is one <sup>the</sup> ~~suggestian~~ Station in Lodiana Mission from which we have received no estimates whatever and there are many Stations in various Missions from which Reports are lacking. It is a satisfaction to deal with the Western India Mission.

Mr. Wilson has written the most suggestive and striking letter, comparing the expense of the work in the Western India Mission with the appropriations from Furrukhabad. I have quoted his letter in full in writing to the Furrukhabad Mission. Doubtless the reason for the great disparity is to be found in the difference in age between the two Missions. The same thing can be noticed in Syria in comparison with some younger missions. With the years, institutions and machinery grow up which cost a great deal of money and which often over-burden the Mission and hamper its free work. With all the accessions to the Churches in your Mission this past year, I suppose your number of communicants now greatly exceeds that of the Furruk-

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habad Mission. Your medical work is very much more extensive. At the same time, the field of the Furrukhabad Mission is, as you know, much larger. There are three times as many native agents employed in it.

It will be interesting to receive the representations of the Mission on the subject of Government Grant in Aid. I can imagine what some of the objections may be, but I do not believe that the Northern Missions found themselves seriously hampered in the receipt of Government assistance. Doubtless you have communicated with them and found out whether they do feel so hampered. I suspect if they do they would, without hesitation relinquish the aid; but I do not remember ever to have heard of such suggestion from either of the Northern Missions.

It is a great pleasure to report that at the meeting of the Board on Monday, the Rev. E. W. Simpson was appointed a missionary and assigned to the Western India Mission. Mr. Simpson is a man a little beyond the usual age, but he has been a student and has a thorough training in Princeton and McCormick Seminaries and has had a good deal of solid fruitful experience. I think he will prove to be a strong and capable man. At the same meeting of the Board, Miss Bertha Johnson was appointed and assigned to your Mission. Miss Johnson has been one of the most active and energetic workers among the young people in Chicago. She is a woman of superior efficiency and strength of character and I think that both in her and in Mr. Simpson you will find you have got just the sort of missionary that you covet. It is possible that we may be able to find some more missionary candidates later, but the supply, especially of young women this year, has been so small, that only the most imperative calls



have been entertained.

There is a minor point on which I should like to ask information for the guidance of some other missions, namely as to the payment of traveling expenses to Presbyteries and Synods meetings for native commissioners. How are these provided in India? Some years ago the question came up from the Peking Missions, and the Board took the following action:

In reply to the request of the Peking Mission to 'appropriate a sum of money sufficient to send three foreign and three native delegates to the first meeting of the Synod of North China, at Chefoo, May 19th, 1898,' the Board adopted the following Minute, and in view of its wide application directed that copies be sent to all the Missions :- "Inasmuch as there are already six Synods and about twenty-five Presbyteries on the foreign field, and as their number and membership are steadily increasing, a continuation of the policy of paying even in part the traveling expenses of commissioners, will involve a constantly enlarging, and, in the aggregate, a heavy expenditure of missionary funds. Moreover, the just claims of a healthfully expanding work, and the present and we fear the prospective inability of the treasury to adequately meet those claims, render it desirable to restrict expenditure for collateral objects in order that all possible funds may be available for direct forms of missionary work. Appropriations for the purpose now requested would virtually mean the dismissal of some native preachers in order that others might attend the meetings of their respective Presbyteries and Synods at the expense of the Board. The Board, furthermore, feels that as a point of principle and irrespective of the funds which may or may not be available, it is a serious question how far it is wise or porrible for the Board to assume financial responsibility for the ecclesiastical meetings of the native Churches.

The Board is in sympathy with the organizations of Presbyteries and Synods, on the foreign field, whenever the circumstances render them expedient. Indeed, it regards the establishment of a vigorous and wisely organized native Church as one of the chief objects of missionary effort. But the Board also believes that the native Church should and must become self-supporting, and while it freely recognizes the necessity of giving some financial aid in the earlier stages, yet it feels that such aid does not properly extend either for the native or for the foreign missionary to the use of missionary funds from America, for a class of expenditures which at home are generally borne by the ministers and elders themselves, many of whom are no better able to bear the expense than their brethren abroad".

Have you found any difficulty in acting on the principle of laying these charges upon the native Church in India? and do you

not contemplated the new Church which is to be established shall from the beginning expect all its commissioners' expenses to be met by the Church, or personally, as in this country, where, as you know, even in a large Synod like Washington or Oregon, neither the Home Board nor the Synod pays anything toward traveling expenses.

The Board voted at its meeting on Monday to authorize the Mission Treasurer to transfer to the building fund of the Village Settlement, the balance of 480 Rupees or thereabouts, which Miss Wilder writes will be left over from the appropriations for the Village Settlement for this current fiscal year.

We have been very sorry to hear of Miss Wilder's ill-health and hope that the absence of any action of the Mission with reference to her return to the United States may be an indication of her improvement.

The action of the Mission in approving the appointment of Dr. Williamson as a member of the Mission has been reported to the Board. Dr. Williamson's salary has been included in the appropriations for the new year at the rate of one-half the salary of a married man, in accordance with the following action of the Board at a recent meeting.

"It was reported to the Board that from some of the Missions, letters had been received deprecating the reduction in the salaries of unmarried men. Pending further consideration of the question, it was voted to adhere to the existing rules in making out the appropriations, for the next fiscal year, but in the case of widowers or married missionaries alone on the field and their families in the United States, it was voted that the action making the unmarried men's salary in all new instances, after April 15th, 1901, half a married man's salary, should be held in abeyance, and the salaries should be in the cases specified, in the absence of any other arrangement, two-thirds of a married man's salary".



As a note from Dr. Wanless has raised the question as to the sufficiency of this salary and a formal letter has come from the President of the Lodiama Mission on the same subject. These and other communications of the sort will be considered by the Board as soon as we have had time to hear from all the fields and if it seems desirable to amend the action, reducing the salaries of unmarried men, the Board will cordially make what amendment is necessary.

We have begun now on the last month of the fiscal year, and in a short time we shall know pretty certainly what the outcome will be. Mr. Hand has been a little despondent at times, but the outlook at present is very bright and special efforts have been made to avoid any deficiency. The General Assembly meets here this year, as you know, and it would be a sad thing to have to go up to it with a discouraging report, all the more as the Home Board has closed its year in splendid shape, and expects to observe at this Assembly the Centennial Anniversary of its establishment. Everything seems to be prosperous in this community now, and there ought to be generous gifts to all good causes. However, it is not financial prosperity that is the source of such gifts, but spiritual devotion, and I think there is throughout the entire Church, and indeed, entire country a growing spirit of prayerfulness and of earnestness, which will be sure to result in greater desire to extend Christ's Kingdom around the world/.

With warm regards to all, and praying that all of us, both here and on the field may increasingly lay hold of the great truth that, however insufficient these material resources may be, we have available exhaustless resources of a yet higher and more absolutely indispensable nature, I am, Your sincere friend,

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September 3rd, 1902

Dr. Winifred Heston,  
East Jordan, Michigan.

My Dear Dr. Heston:-

Dr. Halsey has gone away for a few weeks, and I write in reply to your note of August 30th, asking for some readjustment of the matter of salary in your case in the Village Settlement. We are afraid that any readjustment in the case of any single member of the Settlement would be impracticable, as the whole idea of the Settlement is an equality of co-operation and a community of feeling and plan among the members of it. Miss Grace Wilder, who was the originator of the idea, had herself for years been receiving the regular salary of an unmarried woman in India, namely, \$540., and surrendered \$260. of this when the Settlement was begun. All the workers who have been associated with the Settlement have received the sum of \$300., and declare it to be adequate. I think Dr. Stewart did also; at any rate we never heard any contrary opinion from her. She is the doctor whose place we are seeking to fill, as her marriage to Mr. Marshall has removed her to another part of the field.

I have no doubt that this sum of \$300. does not leave any very large margin for the purchase of books, or for other expenditures than those of food and dress and necessary comforts. The idea of the Settlement was to find a little band of workers who would, understanding this, adapt themselves to the situation.

On this account we have never pressed anyone to go out to this Settlement, but after stating the facts, have left it to the personal choice, just as was done in your case. I do not believe it would be practicable to make the change you suggest without imperiling the unity of the plan.

We would not be quite sure I think, either, that the change would be necessary. The friend of yours who has worked in the Bombay Presidency, who found it



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difficult to get along on a salary of \$600. must have represented a grade of expenses above that of our Missions, where the salary provided for an unmarried woman in India is as I have said, \$540. The salary of \$500. is a frugal salary, yet it means a great deal more in India than one would naturally suppose here, especially when you remember that it does not include house rent, and that it presumes a measure of associated housekeeping which greatly reduces the expense of living.

I might add that the workers of the Village Settlement are all supported by funds specially given for the purpose, and that the amount provided for the salary of a doctor by the two ladies who contribute it, is \$600.

Still we would not in the slightest degree urge you to go to the Village Settlement in the Western India Mission. The Settlement itself is somewhat experimental, and other considerations which I have mentioned, would make us slow to send anyone who did not feel a spontaneous desire to undertake work in just some such associations and on just some such plan.

If you feel any hesitation, and if your decision that you cannot go on the salary provided for the Settlement is thoroughly considered and final, then we should want to consider at once the possibility of transferring you to some other field, or, in the event of the impossibility of such a transfer, it would be necessary to postpone your going until some altogether satisfactory opening should present itself. We shall at once take up openings elsewhere than in the Western India Mission, and by the time you get this letter, and can reply to it, shall be able to tell you definitely whether any other field is immediately available.

I learn from Mr. Hand about your plans for a month's stay in the London and Paris Clinics. Do you not think you might get more here in New York than there? In Paris of course, whatever was said would be said in French, while in London it might be very difficult to get access to anything that would be comparable in value to anything you could see in New York.

I wish I had had the pleasure which Dr. Halsey had, of meeting you. Looking



